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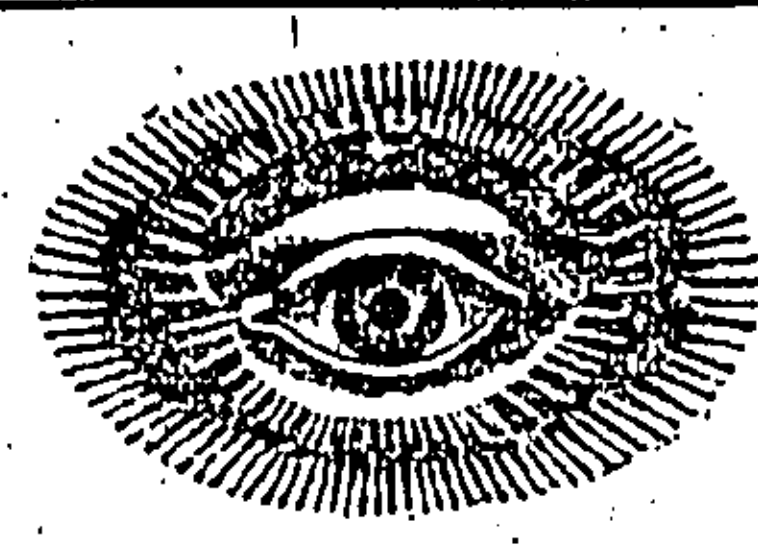
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HANKOW STRUGGLE.

Which Side Will Feng Yu-hsiang Join?

JAPAN'S TROOP MOVES.

Chinese Foreign Office Lodges Strong Protest.

TRADE OUTLOOK "VERY BLACK."

The Powers Still Considering Nanking's Heavy New Taxes.

Instead of pushing towards Peking, General Chiang Kai-shek seems to have made up his mind to revert to his old plan of attacking Hankow first, and a certain number of his troops are already on the move for that purpose.

According to a message from Peking, if a real clash develops between Hankow and Nanking much will depend upon the attitude of Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang, which is still uncertain, though it seems likely he will join Hankow.

Japan's action in sending troops to North China to protect her nationals there has evoked a strong protest from the Chinese Foreign Office which demands the immediate withdrawal of such troops from Tsinan-fu and Tsingtao.

Receiving a deputation in connection with the Shanghai taxes, the United States consul held out no hope of remedy, giving the impression that a protest was unlikely, and he expressed the opinion that the outlook for foreign trade in China is very black.

Questions were asked in the House of Commons yesterday concerning the new situation created by the Nanking Government's surtaxes and it was stated in reply that the Powers are still considering the matter.

SEE SAW OF WAR.

Christian General Again Deciding Factor.

Peking, July 13.

The Ankuechun denies that it has received any report of a northern reverse, and foreign reports continue to indicate that General Chiang Kai-shek is withdrawing to Pukow with the object of meeting the Hankow troops.

Three thousand of the latter under Chang Fu-kuei have arrived at Kiukiang in junks.



Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang, the so-called Christian General, whose attitude, still uncertain, will be the deciding factor in a real clash developing between Hankow and Nanking.

Chang Fu-kuei has published a statement declaring that he will attack Chiang Kai-shek and anti-Chiang leaflets are being distributed in Kiukiang.

If a real clash develops between Hankow and Nanking much will inevitably depend on the attitude of Feng Yu-hsiang which is still uncertain but there are increasing indications that he is more likely to assist Hankow.

Lam Shing Recaptured.

Peking, July 13. The Shantung army is now a one-minded force and has been literally pulled together by the various commanders, whose efforts have been so successful that a fresh forward movement was made with the result that Lam Shing was recaptured.

General Chang Tsung-chang is reported to be directing the forces at Tsinan and Sun Tsun-fang is going to take charge of the troops protecting the Kachow-Tsinan Railway.

No further attacks on the part of the Nationalist army are reported here.—Hong Kong Evening Post.

Chiang and Hankow.

Shanghai, July 13. Foreign reports received at Nanking from Mechow-fu in-

dicate that the Nationalists have recovered lost ground as far as Linching.

The passage of a China Merchants' steamer up-river from Nanking yesterday with about 3,000 troops on board indicates that Chiang's threat against Hankow was no mere idle boast.

The Hankow party are strengthening their position at Kiukiang and evidently are prepared to defend it strenuously against the Nationalists if they proceed that far. Troops of the 4th and 11th Armies have arrived at Kiukiang from Hankow.—British Naval Wireless.

Danger to Nanking.

Shanghai, July 14. The Chinese civil war appears to be entering yet another phase. Reports from Peking state that General Chiang Kai-shek is withdrawing to Pukow, fearing an attack on Nanking from Hankow.

A wireless message from Kiukiang states that many Hankow troops have arrived there. General Chang Fu-kuei, who is commanding them, has made a statement that he will attack Nanking.

Peking messages say that if real clash between Hankow and Nanking develops much will depend on the attitude of Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang.

Well-informed circles are sceptical of the sincerity of his recent alliance with Chiang Kai-shek and there are increasing indications that he will be more likely to assist Hankow.—Reuter.

Severe Clash.

Shanghai, July 14. The Nationalist Government has decided to dedicate July 15 to commemorating the expedition against the North and telegrams have been sent to the different provinces to this effect. Upon July 15 officers will inspect the troops.

Advices from Nanking state that there was a severe clash between the Nationalist and Shantung troops when the former recaptured Tso Tsong. The Nationalists lost more than one thousand killed, and the Shantung casualties were still heavier.

Chang to Attack Feng. Marshal Chang Tso-lin has decided to attack Feng Yu-hsiang with his whole force and a large quantity of ammunition has recently been transferred. Part of Feng Yu-hsiang's forces have arrived at Yin Tsun and part have arrived at Wai Fai. His best troops are at Ki Yuan.—Hong Kong Evening Post.

JAPAN'S TROOPS.

Chinese Foreign Office Lodges Protest.

Peking, July 14. Following a verbal protest by the Foreign Office to the Japanese Legation on July 11 a Note has been handed in which is published this afternoon expressing great astonishment at protests from the Chinese Government regarding the despatch of Japanese troops to Tsingtao have not received due

AVIATOR'S DEATH.

Burial Service Held Yesterday.

SEARCH ABANDONED.

Search for the aviator Flight Lieut. Leonard W. Phillips whose machine dived into the sea off Cheung Chau leaving no trace of its occupant, was abandoned yesterday and as there can no longer be any doubt as to his death, a burial service was held on board H.M.S. "Hermes" yesterday at 3.30 p.m. over the spot where it is presumed he met his death.

Colours were half masted from 3.30 to 4 p.m. while the burial service was in progress. Eye-Witnesses' Report. With regard to the disaster, Mr.

FRANCO-GERMAN TRADE.

Chamber Passes The Customs Bill.

Paris, July 14. The Chamber by 480 votes to 26 passed the Customs Bill empowering the Government to conclude commercial negotiations with Germany.—Reuter.

C. J. Lowe living at No. 11 The Reservation, Cheungchau, who was an eye-witness of the accident has made a report to the effect that he was on the verandah of his house at 10.15 a.m. on July 12, when a saw a British seaplane flying at a height of between 1,500 and 2,000 feet.

Suddenly the engine began to back fire, and soon stopped altogether. The plane glided for some distance and then nose dived, turning completely as it plunged towards the sea. As the plane was falling, Mr. Lowe noticed that it was bent at a point between the engine and the cockpit. It struck the sea nose first about one mile east of the Chang Rocks and immediately sank. There was a dull explosion as the plane hit the water. Mr. Lowe did not wait to see more but immediately rushed to the beach where he was joined by a Mr. Wilson who had also seen the plane fall. They rowed out to the spot in a sampans but although they rowed around for over an hour and a half they could find no trace of either the airman or the plane.

Only the two floats were found in the vicinity, and these the would-be rescuers towed back to Lantong beach, whence they were afterwards removed to the Naval camp.

attention, by the Japanese Government, but on the contrary advantage has been taken of the defection of some of Marshal Sun Chuan-fang's troops to despatch Japanese troops to Tsinan-fu and to replace them with fresh troops from Dairen.

The Japanese Government, which has consistently professed friendship for China has thus ignored Chinese protests and committed acts violating Japan's treaty obligations and China's sovereignty.

The despatch of troops has created intense indignation in the whole country and the Chinese Government therefore demands the immediate withdrawal of the troops from Tsinan-fu and Tsingtao, also the recall of any further troops sent. The Chinese Government hopes for a satisfactory early reply.—Reuter.

"VERY BLACK."

Consul's View of Foreign Trade in China.

Shanghai, July 13. Mr. Cunningham, United States Consul-General, who is Senior Consul, received a deputation this afternoon. It is understood that he conveyed very little comfort and gave the impression that the Consul Body would not make a protest. He recommended the business men of each nation to take up matter with their respective consuls.

Mr. Cunningham considered that the outlook for foreign trade in China was very black. The deputation left with no hopeful feeling.—Reuter. [The Shanghai taxes which formed the subject of the visit are mentioned in our earlier cables.]

Meteorological observations at 6 a.m. to-day, barometer, 29.68; temperature, 88; wind E. force 1.

DUBLIN FUNERAL.

Late Mr. O'Higgins Laid To Rest.

A NATION IN MOURNING.

London, July 13. Extraordinary impressiveness prevailed in Dublin for the funeral of Mr. O'Higgins, the Irish Free State Minister who was assassinated last Sunday. Business was practically suspended and schools were closed.

Half a million people watched the draped gun carriage proceed from St. Andrew's Church to Glasnevin Cemetery. Thousands of people wept openly and scores of women fainted in the crush, overcome by emotion and heat.

The hush in the church was broken only by the sound of the stifled sobbing of Mrs. O'Higgins, a frail, pathetic figure on the verge of collapse.

With her were the Governor-General and Mr. O'Higgins' three



The late Mr. Kevin O'Higgins.

sisters and two brothers. President Cosgrave stood near. The only words in English spoken were those requesting prayers for the repose of the soul of the deceased.

Members of the Dail, Senate consular bodies, judiciary, military and civil authorities, and the Universities, followed the coffin on foot.

Earl Balfour, Lord and Lady Birkenhead, Sir Austen and Lady Chamberlain, Viscount Cave Mr. Winston Churchill, and Mr. L. M. S. Amery, representatives of Mr. Stanley Baldwin and other members of the Cabinet, also former Ministers, Dominions representatives and relatives formed part of the large representative congregation at Westminster Cathedral at the Requiem Mass for Mr. O'Higgins.

The Irish Free State flag was placed on the catafalque as a pall and an Irish priest officiated.—Reuter.

Dublin was the scene of a terrible outrage, last Sunday, the Vice-President of the Irish Free State, Mr. Kevin O'Higgins, being murdered in the street on his way to Mass. The crime was committed by three men who opened fire from a motor car. The murder of Mr. O'Higgins, who was also Minister of Justice, deprived the Free State Government of a "strong man" sternly opposed to the Republican and De Valera Parties.]

\$4,000,000 FORTUNE.

LATE LORD COWDRAY'S VAST WEALTH.

STATE TO TAKE £1,600,000 IN DUTY

London, July 13. Unsettled estate left by the late Lord Cowdray, the oil magnate, is valued at £4,000,000 as far as can at present be ascertained. The death duty to be paid is £1,600,000.—Reuter.

700 MILES AWAY.

TYPHOON MOVING TOWARDS HONG KONG.

The typhoon at present within 120 miles of Lat. 19° N. Long. 127° E. was at noon to-day about 700 miles E.S.E. of Hong Kong and is moving westward.

The local forecast is E. winds, moderate; cloudy at first, finer later. Meteorological observations at 6 a.m. to-day, barometer, 29.68; temperature, 88; wind E. force 1.

ATLANTIC FLIGHTS.

A British Attempt On Saturday.

CAPTAIN COURTNEY'S PLANS.

Rugby, July 13. Captain Courtney will, if weather permits, leave Calshot Aerodrome on Saturday in his attempt to fly across the Atlantic and back.

Final tests of his Dornier Napier Whale flying boat are to be made to-morrow during an extended flight round the Isle of Wight to test the wireless installation and petrol consumption details.

On Saturday he will fly from Calshot to Valencia, Ireland,

OUR \$50 PRIZE.

Cross-Word Puzzle Competition Result.

The result of the "China Mail's" tenth \$50 Cross-Word Puzzle (Second Series) will be found on page 6 of this issue. There is only one winner this week, a competitor who sent in a fully correct solution.

where the machine will be filled with petrol which will take about three hours.

Captain Courtney will then immediately depart for Newfoundland, en route for New York.—British Wireless Service.

French Attempt.

Paris, July 13. Although the aviator Drouhin has contracted with Mr. Levine to pilot the "Columbia" monoplane back to America, the Farman brothers are still determined that the goliath aeroplane, which it was originally intended Drouhin should fly from Paris, to New York, shall attempt an Atlantic flight as soon as possible, for which they have selected the well-known commercial flier, Givon, as pilot.—Reuter.

Hawaii Flies Return.

San Francisco, July 13. Lieut. Maitland and Hengenberger, the heroes of the San Francisco-Hawaii flight, returned on the liner "Maui" from Honolulu. They were given a great ovation. Army aeroplanes circled the ship, and enthusiastic crowds of many thousands on the waterfront, brought into play whistles, bells, sirens and all other available sound-producing instruments.—Reuter's American Service.

"Plane That Has No Body. The monoplanes of Lindbergh and Chamberlain have external hulls, but the next stage, already far advanced, is to eliminate the fuselage and get to that long-promised simplification of the "flying wing," or bodyless aeroplane.

Super-giant monoplanes are now in construction in the United States and Germany which, having nothing external but propellers and control-surfaces, will be unlike anything seen in the air before.

Their single metal wings, which are of tremendous size, will not only bear the machines through the air but will in their hollow interiors provide ample accommodation for engines, petrol, passengers, and crew.

Fresh details are available concerning the most ambitious project of this kind, that of Professor Hugo Junkers, in Germany. He has now begun to assemble at Dessau the parts of mammoth monoplane in which seats are already being allocated to influential German business men for a trans-Ocean passenger flight from Hamburg to New York.

SAFE AGAIN.

FRENCH CABINET WEATHERS STORM.

COMMUNISTS DEFEATED.

Paris, July 13. A threat to the existence of the Poincare Cabinet has been ended by the Chamber of Deputies by 356 to 171 votes rejecting a Communist motion which would have increased by about £6,000,000 the expenditure proposed by the Government for increasing the salaries of civil servants.—Reuter.

THE COST OF WAR.

What The Nations Are Paying In Pensions.

BRITAIN'S BURDEN.

\$98,500,000 Spent On Maintenance of Children.

London, July 13.

In the House of Commons, in the course of the Ministry of Pensions vote, a comparative table of expenditure thereon showed that Britain and the Dominions expended in 1925-26 £86,000,000, being an annual per capita charge of 27s.; France £37,750,000 being a per capita charge of 18s. 6d., Germany £60,000,000, being a per capita charge of 19s. 2d., and the United States £46,000,000, being a per capita charge of 8s. 3d.—Reuter.

STRIKING FIGURES.

Britain Pays 27s. Per Head Of Population.

Rugby, July 13. Comparative figures of the expenditure on war pensions by some of the principal belligerent Powers of the late war were given in the House of Commons to-day, when the pensions vote of £87,250,000 for all classes of pensions was under discussion.

This amount represents an eight per cent decrease on last year's figure due to the deaths of pensioners and their dependants to 60,000 more children reaching the age at which pensions are no longer payable, and to the remittance of a further 4,500 war widows.

The total number of pensions now is 1,650,000.

America's 8s. 3d.

The expenditure of the Ministry in 1925-26 was in round figures, £86,500,000. The year's expenditure on Great War pensions for the

same period in the Dominions of Australia and New Zealand, Canada, South Africa and Newfoundland was £19,500,000, making a total for the United Kingdom and the Dominions of no less than £86,000,000 equivalent to an annual charge of 27s. from every man, woman and child in the population of 64,000,000.

In France the expenditure for the same year was approximately £47,750,000, equivalent to a contribution of about 18s. 6d. per head of their population.

In Germany the expenditure in the same year was about £60,000,000 which, with a population of 62,500,000, means a contribution of about 19s. 2d. per head.

In the United States the expenditure was £46,000,000, and with a population of 112,000,000 this means a contribution of about 8s. 3d. per head.

Disclosing these figures, Colonel Stanley, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Pensions, said they were very striking and showed that the British Empire had not been niggardly in the way they had treated sufferers in the war.

Referring to the maintenance of children under pensions from the Ministry, Colonel Stanley said that £38,500,000 had been spent under this heading since 1917, and the annual expenditure, which was of course diminishing, was now about £8,000,000.

The expenditure on the administration of the Pensions Ministry this year was reduced by 14 per cent, but expenditure on benefits had fallen by only 3½ per cent.—British Wireless Service.

STIFF BLAZE.

FIRE IN DRIED PALM LEAF SHOP.

CANDLE KNOCKED OVER.

A fire broke out last night at No. 20 Shauiwan East occupied by a shop dealing in dried palm leaves for making fans and herbs. The fire started in the cockpit where a foki accidentally knocked over a lighted candle which set alight to a stock of dried herbs.

The herbs burned briskly and soon the fire assumed very alarming dimensions as it spread to the dried palm leaves. Luckily the alarm was soon given, and the hand engine was immediately rushed to the scene, while the engine from Wanchai arrived some minutes afterwards. The firefighters managed to confine the flames to the burning house, and after a stiff fight it was eventually put out. The extent of damage done has not yet been ascertained, but it is known that the shop was insured to the extent of \$2,000.

WASTE NOT.

CARELESS CHINESE IN POLICE COURT.

Before Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning a Quarry Bay Chinese was charged with wasting water at a street fountain. Sergt. Langley said that the people in the vicinity were very careless in the way they used the fountain. They would first turn on the water and then go into their houses to bring out clothing to wash. This resulted in the unnecessary waste of a large quantity of water daily. As it was the first case of its nature brought before the Court from that district, the Magistrate decided to discharge the accused with a caution.

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By Order of the Court of Directors.
A. C. HYNES,
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Hong Kong, 12th July, 1927.

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COMMON BONDS.

IS FRIENDSHIP DYING OUT?

"Friendship," said Emerson, in one of the wisest essays ever penned, "is too good to be believed." Emerson was writing in the year 1841, but the truth and wisdom of that remark remain undisputed (writes Beatrice Kean Seymour in the "Sunday News").

Real friendship is certainly one of the lovely things of life for which there is no substitute "just as good." But lots of people nowadays don't believe it, and some of the rest of us try to pretend that we don't. "Friendship," we say cynically, "is not only too good to be believed; it is too good to be endured."

Like all the other good things of life, friendship is not to be had for the asking. A lovely, delicate flower, it needs care alike in the growing and in the plucking. But to so many people to-day the pretty flower of acquaintanceship, growing so plentifully by the wayside, is equally acceptable.

Getting actually to know people is voted rather a bore, like the obligations it carries. So much easier and so much more diverting to be a little scandalous and malicious, when occasion offers, about "somebody we have met" than to have to remember that such a person is our friend and in need of our good offices.

Besides, "going in off the deep end" after a friend's reputation is not among the more popular social pastimes. The world must be amused, and has always paid, in my estimation, a good deal too much for the privilege.

And even among those of us who are not satisfied with the little wild-flower of acquaintance, how many are there capable of meeting the demands of friendship? How many of us remember that "the only way to have a friend is to be one?"

Staunch to the End. How many are sufficiently magnanimous, or sufficiently understanding or sufficiently free from the deplorable craving after possession? Jealousy in friendship is almost as common a thing as jealousy in love, and work almost as much mischief.

In my extreme youth I once had a friendship with a girl a few years older than myself, which was the supremest tyranny imaginable. No lover could have been more insanely furious at my occasional recognition of the fact that there were other people in the world.

To go out to tea with one of them, to spend a week-end in the bosom of some family other than hers, was to call down upon my head a jealous rage the like of which I had never before experienced.

Not that this sort of friendship is confined to the schoolgirl stage; I wish it were. All my life I seem to have been pursued by people who were ready to devote themselves to me if I would only pretend that there were no other people in the world at all.

The word friendship seems today to be in some danger of losing its meaning. The things we call "friendships" are so many and so very pretty in the sunlight. How few of us realise that friendship is one of the solidest realities of life, founded on mutual trust and esteem, and suffering in all the winds of calumny and suspicion the brave flag of loyalty?

Friendship does not impute unworthy motives nor allow them to be imputed—even in the face of what looks like evidence of their existence. It has patience, even with stupidity. Like charity, it thinketh no evil.

Where friendship is concerned, few of us are free from what I call Torvaldism. It is a word I coined long ago when first I read Ibsen's "A Doll's House." It ought to be recognised as part of our language.

"Torvaldism." Nora, you will remember, was the doll. She was the household pet, first of her father, then of her husband, Torvald. She was very charming and very silly—a pretty little singing bird, as Torvald called her.

She knew nothing of the world; she had not been taught to think, and then, in a moment of crisis—to save, as she thinks, her husband's life—she borrows money and forges her dying father's signature to the security bond.

As poor, ignorant little Nora worked it out, it was all right. Here father would willingly have signed the document; the debt was being steadily repaid, nobody was being cheated; and she loved her husband and had to have the money.

Later, when she is blackmailed and helpless, she is terrified, but convinced that Torvald will understand. He doesn't. All Torvald sees is what "she has done to him." All he understands is that he has been let down, that people may even suspect that he "was behind it all."

Then the blackmailer relents, and Torvald, relieved of his personal implications in the matter, changes his tone, has a belated glimpse of the hell poor Nora has been living in for the past three days, and magnanimously "forgives" her.

It makes him "feel good," as the Americans say. The high ethical issues upon which he waxed so eloquent are forgotten now that the personal danger has gone, and Torvald is caught up in the heady



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Long, Happy Years Wiped Out.

Torvaldism in friendship is a common enough phenomenon.

I have not only seen it at work, I once suffered acutely from its manifestations. I had the misfortune to do something which placed a very close friend in a somewhat awkward position. That it was not so awkward as, perhaps inadvertently, I was allowed to suppose, in no wise affects the case.

It was the last thing in the world I would have done, and when the implications of it were pointed out to me, it seemed absurd that they should not have occurred to me before. But the fact remains that, quite simply, they did not.

I had never looked at the thing from that angle, and I suppose it may stand for my supreme moment of mental aberration. We all have them. I make no complaint that I was rated for my stupidity, but only that it should have been suggested that my action was dictated by some paltry advantage to myself which had over-ruled the claims of honesty and friendship.

By what alchemy the long, happy years of our association were wiped out so that this horrible picture of me could pass for genuine, I cannot imagine. But the fact remains that it did, and there is still some little bit of me that has never quite got over it.

Perhaps the explanation is that some of us, for all we value loyalty and endeavour earnestly to give it, do not inspire loyalty in other people. It must surely be some lack in us rather than in our friends that makes this sort of thing possible. We do, I am forced to conclude, get after all, the friends we deserve.

HONG KONG HOTEL VISITORS.

July 13, 1927.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Avery, Messrs. A. E. Atkins, W. Alexander, A. de C. Avey.

Messrs. S. F. Brown, A. Broetje, Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Baker, Miss M. Duffy.

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Mr. R. Schoepe, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Schöbe, Mr. A. Schubert, Dr. E. S. Taylor.

Messrs. H. Volker, R. Vallarino, J. Viera.

Mr. G. Wragge, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wilbur, Mr. W. Wright.

WATER SUPPLY.

Level and Storage of water in Reservoirs on July 1, 1927.

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1926	1927
Tytam	42'11" B.	11'10" B.
Tytam Byewash	25' 6" B.	8' 9" B.
Tytam Intermediate Level	Level	Level
Tytam Tuk	27' 9" B.	Level
Wong Nei Chung	19' 7" B.	7' 8" B.
Pokfulum	22' 5" B.	9'11" B.

[Note: B. denotes "Below Overflow." A denotes "Above Overflow."] Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.

	1926	1927
Tytam	115.12	369.40
Tytam Byewash	57	11.19
Tytam Intermediate	195.90	195.90
Tytam Tuk	830.50	1,419.00
Wong Nei Chung	10.16	21.08
Pokfulum	19.95	44.48

Total 1,172.20 2,061.05 Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of June:—

	1926	1927
Consumption	256.48	303.33
Estimated population 402,469	412,780	412,780
per day (gallons)	21.2	24.4

Constant Supply in all Rider Main Districts during June 1926 and 1927.

KOWLOON WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1926	1927
Kowloon Reservoir	5'6" B.	Level
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir	17'9" B.	27'7" B.
Reception Reservoir	Level	Level

Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.

	1926	1927
Kowloon Reservoir	297.63	362.50
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir	38.72	80.46
Reception Reservoir	—	—

Total 386.35 442.96 Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of June.

	1926	1927
Consumption	72.08	97.95
Estimated population 155,620	160,680	160,680
per day (gallons)	15.4	20.8

Full Supply in all districts during June, 1926 and 1927.

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Total rainfall to June 30, 1926, 30.69; June 30, 1927, 53.45.

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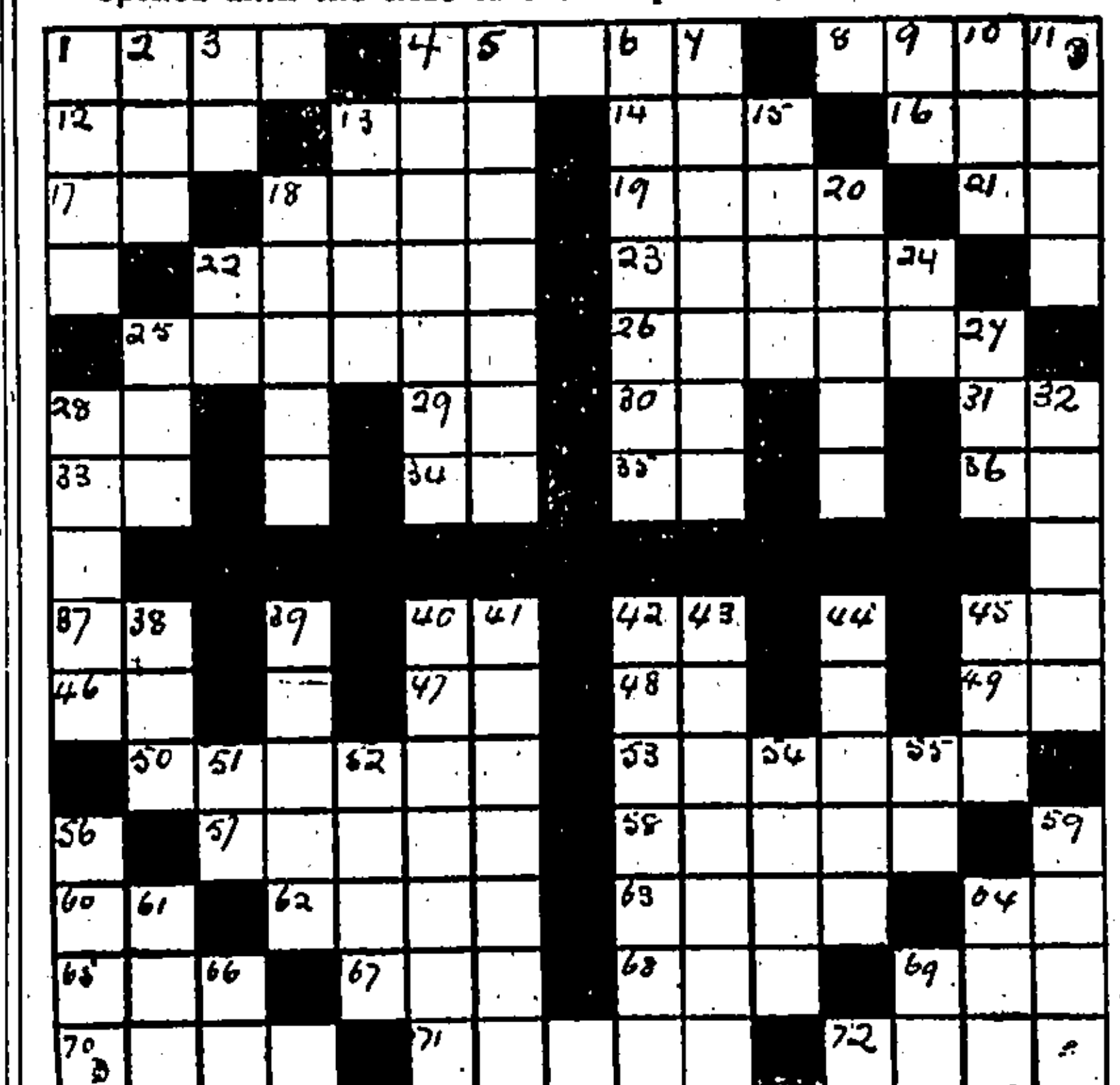
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- An entry fee of fifty cents must accompany each coupon. Three entries, however, may be sent in together for one dollar. Letters sent through the post must not contain coins as they will not be delivered by the Post Office.
- No entry will be considered under any circumstances whatsoever, unless entry money for each solution is enclosed.
- Entries must reach the office of the "China Mail" not later than the time and date for closing announced on the coupon.
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- The coupon must not be defaced in any way. All attempts must be in plain block letters and legible.
- The Editor's decision will be final and binding in all matters of dispute, and he reserves the right to enter into Correspondence regarding the Competition.
- Solutions will be published with the results, in this paper, every Thursday following the Closing Date.
- Coupons will be kept for four days after the results of the competition have been published.
- All letters must be addressed, "China Mail" Cross-words, c/o "China Mail" Offices, No. 5, Wyndham Street, Hong Kong.
- No member of the staff of the "China Mail" will be allowed to compete.
- Solutions are held under sealed cover and in no way will be opened until the close of the competition.



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Name

Address

[Please Write in Block Letters.]

CLOSING DATE FOR COUPONS, MONDAY, JULY 18.
[Coupons received at the "China Mail" Office after mid-day on Monday will not be included in the competition.]

- | Across. | Down. |
|--|--|
| 1 A pouch or sac, without opening which is accidentally developed in one of the natural cavities, or in the substance of the organs. | 1 To adhere. |
| 4 Impost. | 2 Hiccough. |
| 8 Back street of a city. | 3 S.G. (Actual). |
| 12 Limb. | 4 To heal. |
| 13 To proceed glibly. | 5 A worm. |
| 14 A command. | 6 An almost imperceptible swelling of the shaft of a column. |
| 16 Anglo-Saxon money of account. | 7 Rhomb. |
| 17 Chopper. | 9 Behold. |
| 18 Lend. | 10 To utilize. |
| 19 A chief. | 11 Barley, or other grain steeped in water till it germinates, and then dried in a kiln. |
| 21 Hebrew Deity. | 13 A club of politicians, who, in the time of Charles I. contemplated an equal government. |
| 22 Extravagant. | 15 To venture. |
| 23 Hawks' nest. | 16 A genus of carnivorous digitigrade animals. |
| 25 To cut or carve for ornament. | 18 A genus of carnivorous digitigrade animals. |
| 26 Checks. | 20 Laughing. |
| 28 River in Italy. | 22 Upon. |
| 29 Yes (Spanish). | 24 E.P. (Actual). |
| 30 I.G. (Actual). | 25 Period of time. |
| 31 Neuter pronoun. | 27 To extract. |
| 33 Printer's measure. | 28 Brisk. |
| 34 H.D. (Actual). | 32 Short quiet. |
| 35 Compass point (Abb.) | 33 Tree of the genus Ulmus. |
| 36 P.R. (Actual). | 38 A man of a particular turn of mind (reversed). |
| 37 Second note of scale. | 40 Practices making men's clothes. |
| 40 T.T. (Actual). | 41 A tuft. |
| 42 P.P. (Actual). | 42 Small sunshade. |
| 45 Before Christ (Abb.) | 43 Paid beforehand. |
| 46 T.L. (Actual). | 44 To cover. |
| 47 A.U. (Actual). | 45 Repository of any commodity. |
| 48 A.R. (Actual). | 51 A.R. (Actual). |
| 49 This is (Abb.) | 52 T.A.N.O. (Actual). |
| 50 A Linnean genus of voracious insects remarkable for their slender, grotesque form. | 54 A mound of earth. |
| 53 To recriminate. | 55 R.K. (Actual). |
| 57 Small Spanish denomination of money (pl.) | 56 To thrust out, as the tongue. |
| 59 On the point. | 59 To hurt. |
| 60 Exclamation. | 61 A dogfish or shark found on the British coasts. |
| 62 An antelope, having the neck, body and tail of a horse, and single recurved horns. | 64 Tree of the genus Abies. |
| 63 Bitter. | 66 T.A. (Actual). |
| 64 French tone of the gamut. | 69 Yes. |
| 65 Fortune. | |
| 67 Grampus. | |
| 68 An unctuous substance drawn from various animal and vegetable substances. | |
| 69 Light breeze. | |
| 70 Lanky. | |
| 71 Ancient Teuton bard. | |
| 72 A quicksand. | |

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RANGOON MARU Thursday, 28th July.

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KAMAKURA MARU Thursday, 11th August.

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TATSUNO MARU Wednesday, 10th August.

LIVERPOOL via Singapore, Colombo, Port Said & Ports.
LYONS MARU Friday, 8th August.

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SECTION.

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INTERESTING FEATURES.

On Tuesday last were run the official trials of the Steam Launch "Petrel" built and engine by W. S. Bailey & Co., Ltd. for the British North Borneo Government. The vessel is of tank, with compound surface condensing engines and engine and boiler casing of steel; also European and crews galley, deck cabin forward neatly panelled with railway carriage windows and fitted with cushioned settees, wash basin and portable table, etc. The bridge, over forward cabin, is fitted with chart table, flag locker and usual accessories, while a cabin for the Serang is also provided, aft with bed, drawers and wash basin; a steam windlass and davit are fitted for handling the anchors.

The trials were highly satisfactory, steam being easily maintained at an average speed of nearly nine knots against the contract speed of 8 to 8½ knots only. The construction of the vessel throughout has been supervised by Mr. J. Finlay Miller and the others on board were Messrs. L. J. Davies & S. A. Arthur of Gibb Livingston Co. Ltd., Messrs. Borrowman and Bailey of W. S. Bailey & Co., Ltd.

The Ministry of Industry and Commerce, Dublin, has decided to hold over consent to the guarantee for Dundalk Harbour loan until the certified accounts of the year have been considered. The proposed loan is £50,000.

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QUARANTINE REGULATIONS INFRINGED.

Capt. Jorgen Bruhn, master of the s.s. "Phranang" was fined \$50 in the Marine Court this morning for failing to proceed to the quarantine anchorage on arrival in Hong Kong on July 9. Defendant pleaded guilty, pointing out that this agent at Haiphong, from which port he had come, had said that as Haiphong was a "clean" port he would not have to go into quarantine on arrival in Hong Kong.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The B. I. s.s. "Santhin" left Singapore for this port on June 11, p.m., and is due here on June 16, p.m.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" arrived Kobe on July 12, at 3.30 p.m., left that port yesterday, at 4 p.m., and is due at Shanghai to-morrow, at 11 a.m. She will leave Shanghai on July 16, at 1 p.m.

The following vessels of the Compagnie des Messageries Maritimes are expected here:—

"Amazona," July 19.
"Yalou," July 22.
"Chenonceaux," August 2.
"Athos II," August 30.
"D'Artagnan," September 13.

The Dollar Line steamer "President Hayes" will sail from Shanghai on Friday, July 15, and will arrive in Hong Kong on Monday, July 18. She will sail for New York via Manila, Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Suez, Port Said, Alexandria, Naples, Genoa, Marseilles and Boston on Tuesday morning, July 19 at 8 o'clock.

The Dollar Line steamer "President Cleveland" from San Francisco will sail from Shanghai on Saturday, July 16, and will arrive in Hong Kong on Monday, July 18. She will sail for Manila on Tuesday, July 19, at 6 p.m.

The Dollar Line steamer "President Lincoln" will sail from Manila on Friday, July 15, at 5 p.m. arriving in Hong Kong on Sunday, July 17. She will sail for San Francisco via Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama and Honolulu on Monday, July 18, at midnight.

REPORT FROM

BOARD OF CONSERVANCY WORKS OF KWANGTUNG

Waterlevels in English Feet.

Place of Observation	Highest W.L. on record	Lowest W.L. on record	W.L.	W.L.
West River at Shihing	+41.0"	0'	11/7	12/7
North River at Tsingyue	+28.7"	0'	+15.5	falling
North River at Samshui	+27.3"	0'	+19.8	+19.6
East River at Shiklung	+15.2"	3'	+8.9	+8.9

* For the 10th.

LOCAL SHIPPING.

TO-DAY'S ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

THIS MORNING'S LIST.

The following ocean-going steamers arrived during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. to-day:—

"Hydrangea" (561) British, from Fort Bayard, Chul On S.S. Co.—159 passengers, 206 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.
"New Mathilde" (842) British, from Hoihow, Yik Tai S.S. Co.—110 passengers, 1,620 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

"Shantung" (1,668) British, from Shanghai, B. & S.—101 passengers, 550 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 2,050 tons general (through).
"Takliwa" (3,742) British, from Amoy, Mackinnon Mackenzie—367 passengers, 1,519 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 2,792 tons general (through).

"West O'Rova" (5,677) American, from Shanghai, Col. Pacific S.S. Co.—1,316 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 1,000 tons general (through).
"Tonje" (1,949) Norwegian, from Chinwangtao, Doddwell—1,800 tons coal for Hong Kong, 800 tons coal (through).

"Manila Maru" (5,919) Japanese, from Nagasaki, O.S.K.—395 passengers, 279 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 3,933 tons general (through).
"Toyo Maru" (2,280) Japanese, from Port Redon, Hidak & Co.—3,500 tons coal (through).
"Toyo Maru No. 1" (1,310) Japanese, from Tsingtao, M.B.K.—3,450 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

"Hozan Maru" (1,383) Japanese, from Swatow, O.S.K.—348 passengers, 1,204 tons coal for Hong Kong.

Departures:

For Canton:—Shantung.
For Keelung:—Times Maru, Toyo Maru.
For Saigon:—Ta Chung, Wing Hong.
For Amoy:—Van Heutz.
For Moji:—Samarang Maru, Yamagata Maru.
For Swatow:—Deli Maru.
For Bangkok:—Hermelin.
For Shanghai:—Emp. of Asia.

Clearances:

For Muntok:—Tjikembang.
For Kwong Chow Wan:—Wing Wo.
For Amoy:—Ho Sang.
For San Francisco:—Dewey.
For Takao:—Amazona Maru.
For Canton:—Tai Tak.

Shipping Abstract.

	Arrivals	Departures	In
British	4	3	35
Japanese	4	5	7
Norwegian	1	1	6
Chinese	0	1	15
Dutch	0	1	5
American	1	0	2
Panama	0	0	1
Portuguese	0	0	4
	10	11	75

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

Consignees of Cargo ex s.s. "Dannmark" are reminded to take delivery of their goods, which will be subject to rent after July 16.

Consignees of Cargo ex s.s. "Benavackie" are reminded that goods will be subject to rent after July 16.

Consignees of Cargo ex s.s. "City of Bedford" are reminded that goods remaining undelivered after July 18, will be subject to rent.

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EMPRESS OF CANADA	Sept. 14	Sept. 17	Sept. 20	Sept. 23	Oct. 2
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Oct. 5	Oct. 8	Oct. 11	Oct. 14	Oct. 23
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Oct. 26	Oct. 29	Nov. 1	Nov. 4	Nov. 13
EMPRESS OF CANADA	Nov. 16	Nov. 19	Nov. 22	Nov. 25	Dec. 4
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MANILA MARU Thursday, 14th July.
MONTEVIDEO MARU Tuesday, 23rd August.
BOMBAY—Via Singapore and Colombo.
SUMATRA MARU (Calls at Penang) Tuesday, 19th July.
HONOLULU MARU Wednesday, 3rd August.
*(calling at Karachi).
DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR AND BOMBABA—Via Singapore and Colombo.
CANADA MARU Sunday, 31st July.
TIENTSIN
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore and Rangoon.
SEATTLE MARU Monday, 25th July.
BANGKOK—Via Saigon.
TACOMA MARU Saturday, 16th July.
*(Calls at Saigon only).
SEKKOW MARU Thursday, 28th July.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER Via Shanghai and Japan Ports.
ALABAMA MARU (From Shanghai) Wednesday, 20th July.
HAIPHONG—Via HOIHOW & PAKHOL.
TAIKWA MARU Tuesday, 19th July.
MENADO MARU Tuesday, 2nd August.
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco and Panama.
HAVANA MARU (from Kobe) Sunday, 24th July.
HAVRE MARU Friday, 28th July.

JAPAN PORTS
INDO MARU Thursday, 14th July.
AMAZON MARU Saturday, 16th July.
CELEBES MARU Sunday, 24th July.
KEELUNG Via SWATOW & AMOY.
HOZAN MARU Sunday, 17th July, 11 a.m.
TAKAO Via SWATOW & AMOY.
DELI MARU Thursday, 14th July, 10 a.m.
TAKAO DIRECT
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In reply to an inquiry the president of the Hamburg-Sud informed a Press correspondent that he had heard of the rumours, but that the directors had "absolutely no intention of abandoning its independence, which was one of the company's chief assets, and that any swamping of the company by outsiders against the wishes of the directors was completely excluded, because the preference shares afforded a sufficient protection against any danger of such a kind that might arise."

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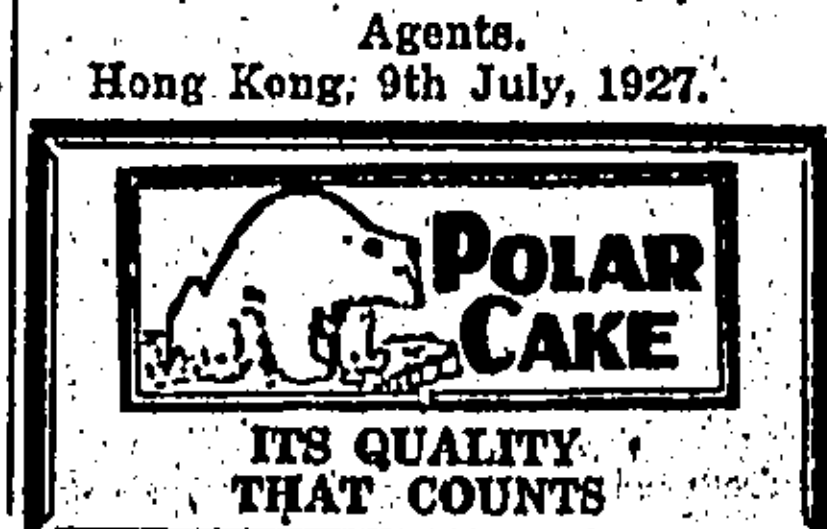
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Aug. 24	Seattle	Beregaria	Sept. 21	Chrg-S'mptn Sept. 27
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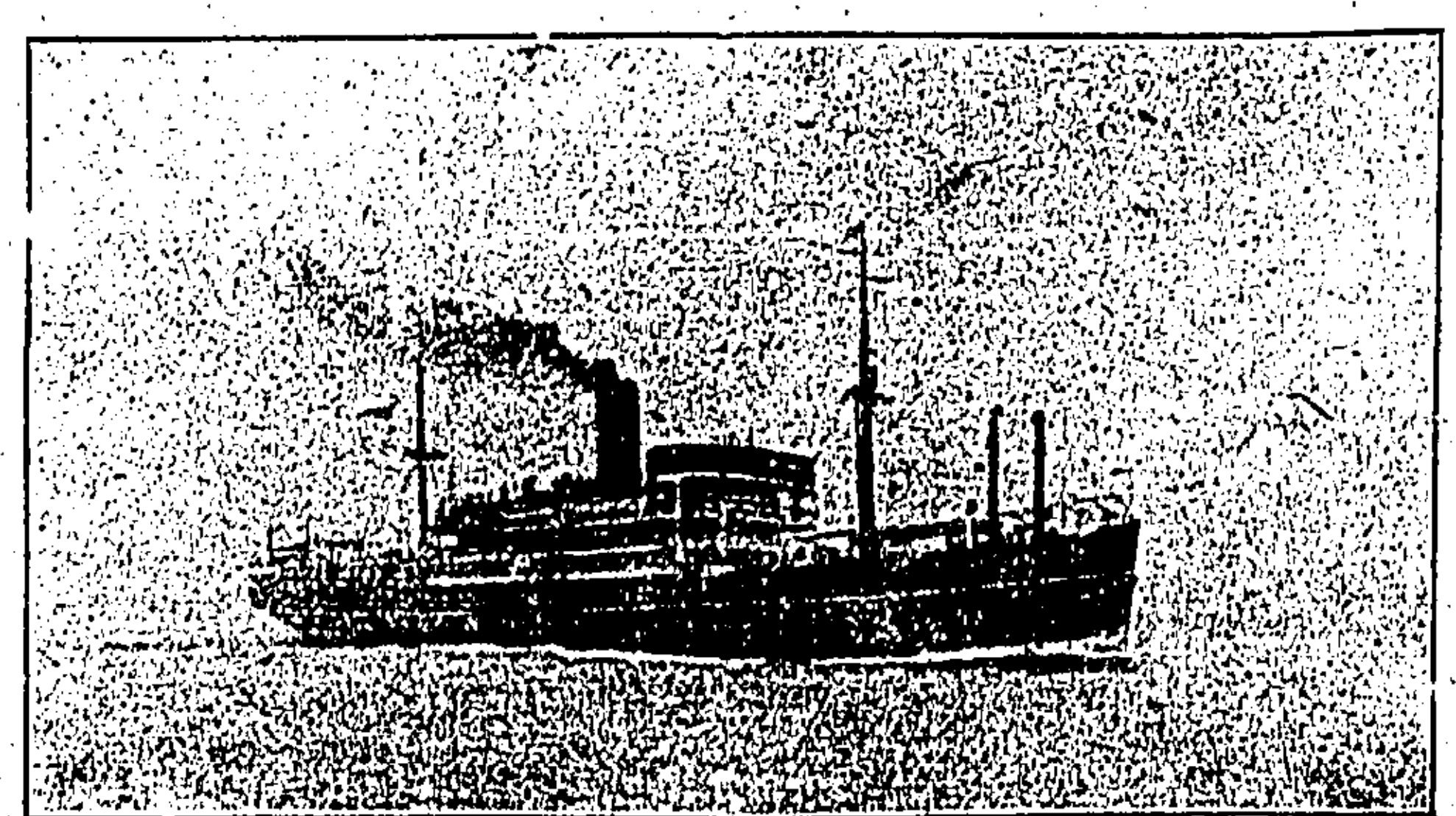
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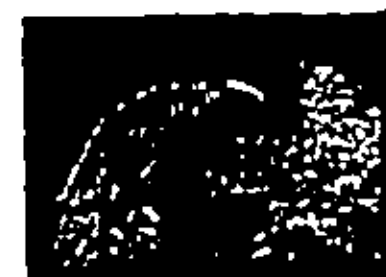
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Hong Kong, and Mr. W. Farley
de Winton, elder son of the
Hon. Mrs. de Winton, of
Slivich House, Brecon.

Hong Kong, Thursday, July 14, 1927.

MOBS IN CHINA.

Comrade Borodin having made
so much use of mob violence in
China to further his ends, it is
only poetic justice that he him-
self should have received a taste

of mob violence before leaving
Hankow. The incident, as re-
ported in yesterday's cables, arose
out of a dispute over the remov-
ing of his luggage to the railway
station. An altercation arose
between the coolies and Borodin's
staff. The latter attempted to
dismiss the coolies, who refused
to accept dismissal, and rushed
the building, sweeping the police
aside. The position became des-
perate and Borodin's guards fired
over the heads of the coolies. This
stopped the rush, but the coolies
refused to disperse until the
guards lowered their pistols and
threatened to shoot to kill. The
incident thus closed without the
shedding of blood. From the
facts as given in the cable it will
be seen, however, that serious
riots might easily have been pre-
cipitated, possibly involving loss
of life and extensive material
damage. That such grave dis-

orders were not the outcome is
not due in any way to Comrade
Borodin—unless we are to see
virtue in the readiness of his
guards to shoot down the very
creatures who have been used to
further the Soviet cause. Com-
rade Borodin more than any man
alive is responsible for the out-
breaks of mob violence in China,
having cynically encouraged the
Chinese Reds to employ this
weapon without regard for the
consequences. Therefore it is
only poetic justice, as we say,
that he should have received a
taste of his own medicine. Regret
will be felt that the lesson was
not more salutary, so that
Borodin, menaced by the very
forces he has himself let loose,
might give pause to his evil cam-
paign. The Hankow incident, we
do not suppose, will deflect his
course, for he is ready, if we are
to judge from the action of his
guards, to shoot down his own
dupes when the need arises, but it
will do this much good at least, it
will reveal him in his true colours,
so that the lower classes will see
him, not as the disinterested ad-
viser, but as the cynical schemer
seeking only his own ends, even
to the point of killing those he
professes to befriend. When this
truth is firmly grasped it will be
a bad day for Borodin and it may
well be that the next dispute over
his luggage will arise out of his
flight from the land where he has
wrought so much mischief.

Lucky Ceylon.

Our sister Colony, Ceylon, is in
a very happy position. There
they have so much money in the
Government exchequer that they
are hastening to devise means
by which it may be spent. Thanks
to the policy of retrenchment
inaugurated in the years
following the war to meet the
depression in the main planting
industries, a large surplus in
public funds has been built up.
Now the Colony's financial position
is sound and its credit high.
But there is a fly in the ointment.
It seems, for according to the
Colonial Secretary, Mr. F. G.
Tyrrell, the machinery to ensure
strict economy, which has oper-
ated so successfully, has at the
same time impaired the spending
capacity of the large departments,
which have been unable to accom-
modate themselves to the changed
conditions, due to increased re-
venue. In order to restore the
lost art of spending money the
Ceylon budget for the ensuing
year has been drafted so that it
provides a large excess of expen-
diture over revenue.

This appears to be a courageous
move on the part of the financial
experts of Ceylon. The Govern-
mental surplus balance amounts
to nearly Rs. 44 millions and the
Colonial Secretary has presented
a budget purposely aiming at a
deficit on the year of Rs.
31,900,000. But, as indicated,
Ceylon is at the present very
happily placed in regard to her
finances. The last budget, for in-
stance, was expected to show a
deficit of Rs. 16 millions. Yet
along came an unexpected supply
of revenue, and the deficit was
wiped out, leaving the Colony's
finances as much to the good then
as they are now! Windfalls like
this, however, do not furnish the
secret of Ceylon's financial suc-
cess. The position to-day is the
result of organised retrenchment,
and it augurs well for the Hong
Kong Government's present policy
of a like nature. Ceylon, in the
light of her experience and re-
sultant well being, can reasonably
say to us: "Go thou and do like-
wise." It is hoped that we may
be as successful.

MR. HO KOM TONG.

A TRIBUTE FROM QUEEN'S
COLLEGE.

WELL MERITED AWARD.

"Of the many birthday honours
bestowed by His Majesty King
George this month on citizens of
the British Empire we feel sure
that none was more thoroughly
earned than the O.B.E. conferred
on Mr. Ho Kom Tong," says the
"New Dragon," the magazine of
Queen's College.

Mr. Ho needs no introduction to
the readers of the Magazine, and
the space at our disposal is not
enough merely to enumerate the
known good deeds for which Hong
Kong, China, and Britain have to
thank our distinguished former
pupil. Like his two brothers, Sir
Robert Ho Tung and the late Mr.
Ho Fook, both O.B.E.s, Mr. Ho
Kom Tong has given much of his
time and an enormous amount of
money to his native town. Places
far beyond the confines of this
Colony have also cause to feel
grateful to him.

Since the beginning of the cen-
tury his name has appeared op-
posite substantial sums on prac-
tically every charitable list. He has
fed, clothed, housed, educated, and
even buried the poor of the Colony,
helped most munificently our hos-
pitals, schools, and University, and
supported various troops of Boy
Scouts and Ambulance Corps. It
has been said that virtue is its own
reward, and it must give Mr. Ho
Kom Tong many a thrill of the
purest pleasure when he realises
that he has helped so many of his
fellow countrymen and been the
means of bringing joy and light to
so many and dark lives; still it is
good to see his noble efforts re-
cognised and appreciated in the
highest places.

"The Yellow Dragon" offers its
heartiest congratulations to our
distinguished Old Boy, and hopes
he will have many years of health
and happiness to enjoy his worthily
earned honours."

WILBUR PLAYERS.

"THE GIRL FROM CHILD'S"
TO-NIGHT.

At the Star Theatre last
night the Wilbur Players scored
another success in "The High
Cost of Loving."

To-day "The Girl from
Child's" will be produced. The
story, briefly, is as follows:—

The black sheep of a family
of position, a typical young rot-
ter, marries a waitress—or
rather goes through a mock-
marriage with a waitress at a
lunch bar simply in order to
spite his family who have object-
ed to his attentions to a rela-
tive whom they have destined to
be the bride of a nobleman. The
unfortunate waitress, not sus-
pecting the deception, ar-
rives home just in time to em-
barrass her "husband's" father,
mother, brother and cousin, to
say nothing of the nobleman
(who is afterward proved to be
spurious). The usual complica-
tions ensue, and, after a lapse
of one year, behold the waitress
converted into a young lady who
captivates the heart of the bro-
ther.

Likewise behold the
supercilious cousin converted
into a trained nurse resolved to
do naught but good in this world
to make up for all the contumely
she has heaped on the waitress.

A REBEL'S CHOICE.

Managua, July 13.
The Commander of the detach-
ment of United States Marines
here has sent an ultimatum to
General Sandino, the former Li-
beral leader, who, according to the
American authorities here has been
occupying American mines and
collecting taxes at San Fernando.
The ultimatum calls on the General
to lay down his arms by Thursday
morning or he will be attacked by
Joint Conservative Nicaraguan and
United States forces. Sandino has
at his disposal 1,000 men.—Reuter's
American Service.

OUR \$50 PRIZE.

Result of Tenth New
Puzzle.

ONLY ONE WINNER THIS WEEK.

The "China Mail" has pleasure
in announcing the result of the
tenth Cross-Word Puzzle of the new
series. This has been won by only
one competitor—with a fully cor-
rect solution. The winner is:—

Mr. Fred E. Silva,
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.,
Hong Kong.

In accordance with the rules
a cheque will be sent to the
winner four days hence under re-
gistered cover, together with the
congratulations of the "China
Mail."

The correct solutions are as
follows:—

Across:
1, NAIANT; 6, OBDUCE; 11,
IN; 12, BORED; 14, U.T.E.; 15,
DR.; 16, GLOAT; 17, ACT; 18,
ROI; 19, EELS; 20, OBTEND; 22,
ANN; 24, SO; 25, SURE; 27, OR;
28, TOILS; 30, PIER; 32, SAT; 33,
INNERS; 35, TO; 38, SPINET; 40,
TAN; 41, URS; 43, REP; 44,
SNARL; 45, SUPINE; 47, TRUE;
50, SEND; 52, ESNECY; 55, AHA;
56, CRUSH; 58, AL; 60, KIN; 62,
ANTE; 63, VICE; 64, EN; 65, ASA;
66, R.I.A.; 68, HE; 69, YARK; 70,
CHUM; 71, GNATS.

Down:

1, NITRATE; 2, AN; 3, ABLE;
4, NOOK; 5, TRASS; 6, OD; 7,
DUCTURE; 8, UTTER; 9, C.E.; 10,
BRIER; 13, ET; 15, DO; 16,
GENIO; 17, ASENT; 18, R.D.; 21,
NESS; 23, NO; 25, OPINE; 27,
OTTAR; 29, SOP; 31, INEPT; 34,
RISEN; 36, ONLY; 37, FRUSH; 38,
SAIN; 39, IRE; 40, TALC; 41, US;
42, SPEAKER; 46, N.D.; 48, REST;
49, USHER; 51, BRASH; 53, EL-
VAN; 54, YACHT; 55, AYRY; 57,
UNAU; 59, LEES; 61, INK; 65,
A.C.; 67, I.G.

SWATOW OUTRAGE.

CONDONED BY CHINESE
OFFICIALS.

BRITISH SUBJECT ROBBED.

News of the persecution of a
naturalised British subject who as
such, under international law, is
entitled to the protection of
British nationality is to hand
from Swatow.

The acts complained of were
committed at the instigation of the
so-called Opium Suppression
Bureau, an organisation which is
notorious as a monopolist associa-
tion for trading in opium. The
victim was Lo Peng-kiah, of 4
Jung Lung Street, Swatow, whose
father was granted a certificate of
British nationality at Singapore in
1890.

The Bureau employees visited
Lo's house on June 10, stating that
they were searching for opium,
seized opium that was found on
the premises and dragged him to
the Police station, taking no heed
of his protestations that as he was
a British subject they could take
action only through the Commis-
sioner of Foreign Affairs and the
British Consul.

Signed Under Compulsion.

A demand for the payment of a
\$5,000 fine was refused by Lo who
was then confined in an evil-smell-
ing cell. The demands of the ex-
tortioners had by this time been re-
duced and Lo was told that he
would only be released on payment
of \$1,000 and the signing of a state-
ment that he had been fined for the
use of illicit opium. After twelve
or fourteen hours' confinement, Lo
was obliged to accede to their re-
quest and he was then released.

The British Consul at Swatow
was informed of this outrage on
Lo's release and immediately wrote
to the Commissioner of Foreign
Affairs in the Nationalist Govern-
ment sending proofs of Lo's claim
to British nationality and asking
that the draft signed under com-
pulsion by Lo should be cancelled.

In spite of this and subsequent
notes despatched by the British
Consul, the money has not been
refunded and the Chinese authori-
ties have condoned an act of
which, in the words of the British
Consul "only bandits would have
been guilty, which in any civilised
country would be regarded as quite
intolerable, and which would result
in the instant dismissal and con-
dign punishment of the officers
responsible."

Repeated Outrages.

The British Consul also drew the
attention of the Commissioner to
the fact that during the last two
years he had had constantly to com-
plain of outrages committed by
Communist organisations against
British persons and property.

The only reply vouchsafed by
the Commissioner was one which
leaves no doubt that it was delib-
erately false. It stated that Lo
had admitted guilt of an offence in
smoking opium, had begged to be
let off with a light fine and had
willingly paid the \$1,000.

STRUCK BY STEAM HAMMER.

Hit on the jaw by a steam ham-
mer while at work at the Kowloon
Docks yesterday, a labourer suffered
injuries requiring treatment at
hospital.

P'RAPS—P'RAPSNOT!

"Why do you feed every tramp
who comes along? They never do
any work for you."
"No," said the wife, "but it is
quite a satisfaction to me to see a
man eat a meal without finding
fault with the cooking."

A lawyer had won a case by elo-
quence and trickery, and a rival
said to him, bitterly: "Is there any
case so low, so vilely crooked and
shameful that you'd refuse it?"

"Well, I don't know," the other
answered with a smile. "What
have you been doing now?"

Madge: Are you going to return
the poor fellow's ring?

Marie (who has broken her en-
gagement): I suppose he'll propose
to you now, and I thought I'd just
hand it over to you to save the
bother.

Attendant: There's a man outside
who wants to know if any of the
patients have escaped lately.
Director of Asylum: Why does he
ask?

Attendant: He says someone has
run away with his wife.

A new comet has been discovered
at Sydney. It has not yet been
classified, being "only visible as a
faint spot of light in a powerful
glass." But "it presents a diffuse
circular mass, slightly condensed
near the middle." Perhaps it is
another "Labour Conference" be-
ing held in some usual hole-and-
corner way?

First K.C.: "How d'you get the
Divorce Judges with you so easily?"
Second K.C.: "Oh, I amuse them
with bedtime stories."

A butcher, hearing a boy whist-
ling outside his shop, said: "What
are you making all that noise for,
you young scamp?"
"I've lost my dog," answered "he
boy."

"Well," the butcher asked, "do
you think I've got your dog?"
"I don't know, guv'nor," replied
the boy, "but every time I whistle
those sausages move."

A very plump woman went into a
shop and, wobbling up to an as-
sistant, announced:
"I would like to see a bathing
dress that would fit me."

The assistant looked at her and
replied: "Madam, so would I."

According to the European
papers, Madame Sigrid Onegin, the
dramatic contralto at the Berlin
State Opera, can sing in four lan-
guages and has a repertoire of more
than 1,500 songs.
It is really wonderful what
Onegin can do.

Knowledge of three languages is
required from French waiters this
year on the Paris boulevards.
"The tip of the tongue" will then
cease to be a mere figure of speech.

"A young boy had one leg
shorter than the other, and he had
been told that the only means of
treatment was by amputation."—
Irish paper.

"In a dingy room, with little save
a rattleback bed, a wobbly table
and an ancient sofa, these orphans
lived."—Book review.
Sofa, and no father.

When Mrs. Kilpatrick heard that
her son had won the Calcutta
sweep, she just said "How nice"
and went on with her baking.
This shows she is used to
handling dough.

A motorist, stopped at Willesden
for excessive speed, exclaimed:
"Oh, bless my heart! I have only
just bought the car."

The argument had been all on
Mrs. Brown's side throughout the
evening, and Brown was distinctly
fed up.

"You seem to think a cold in the
head means nothing to a woman,"
stomped his wife. "I don't know of
anything more annoying!"

Her husband peered over the
newspaper he had been endeavour-
ing to read.
"No?" he countered, with a rare
flash of spirit. "How about lock-
jaw?"

Staffordshire woman of her hus-
band: "He is sixty-two but I have
found that he is flirting with an-
other woman. He is worse than
one of them shrikes in the desert."

A coloured girl rushed into an
American hospital with a broken
jaw. When asked how the accident
happened her answers were vague.
"Was it a large object?" asked
the doctor.

"To'rabble large."
"Travelling fast?"
"To'rabble fast."
"Was it?"

"If yoh mus' know," said the girl
impatiently, "ah wuz jus nat'chally
kicked in the face by a gentleman
friend."

A ghost is reported to be haun-
ting one of the English golf courses.
This must be the original bogey.
There is an man in London who
is a professional composer of cross-
word puzzles.
Rather a checkered career.

CHINA NEWS.

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NANKING TAXES.

Questions in the House of Commons.

London, July 13. In the House of Commons, in answer to questions, Sir Austen Chamberlain, Foreign Secretary, said that the situation arising out of the new Nanking taxes was being considered by the Government in consultation with their representatives in China.—Reuter.

FORCES IN CHINA.

Why The India Brigade Is Leaving.

London, July 13. In the House of Commons, asked whether since the Chinese armies were hundreds of miles from Shanghai, it was intended to withdraw the whole or part of the Shanghai Defence Force, Sir Austen Chamberlain, Foreign Secretary, referred to his answer on July 6.

[On July 6, in the House of Commons, answering questions, Sir Austen Chamberlain, Foreign Secretary, said that the Indian Brigade was being withdrawn from Shanghai where it was no longer required in consequence of the arrival of reinforcements.]

Sir Austen Chamberlain added that two batteries and certain artillery units attached to the India Brigade were also being withdrawn. The brigade was only sent because it could arrive quickly. It was never intended to maintain it there.

When he mentioned reinforcements on July 6 he was referring to troops which were already in Shanghai apart from the Indian Brigade.

As regards sickness among the troops, Sir Austen Chamberlain said that the Government had foreseen the difficulties of the climate and the authorities on the spot had taken every precaution possible.—Reuter.

Sent For Speed.

Rugby, July 13.

Questioned regarding the withdrawal from China of the India Brigade, Sir Austen Chamberlain, Foreign Secretary, stated in the House of Commons that it was sent because it could arrive quickly and it was not intended it should remain there.—British Wireless Service.

HANKOW'S FUTURE.

British Not To Reoccupy Former Concession.

London, July 13.

In the House of Commons answering questions as regards Hankow, Sir Austen Chamberlain, Foreign Secretary, repeated the decision of May 9 not to re-occupy Hankow.

He told Mr. Basil Peto (Conservative), who asked whether the decision was based on the expert advice of the naval, military and mercantile community in China, the Government would take full responsibility for its own decision.

They would consult such people and take such advice as they might think expedient. It was impossible to say what might be necessary to protect British interests at Hankow four months hence, but providing the situation had not changed a substantial force would be maintained throughout the winter.—Reuter.

Protecting British Interests.

Rugby, July 13.

Sir Austen Chamberlain, Foreign Secretary, was also asked whether the protective forces at Hankow would be maintained there throughout the winter.

He replied that it was impossible to say what arrangements might be necessary for the protection of British interests at Hankow four months ahead, but provided circumstances remained as at present, it was intended to maintain a substantial force there throughout the winter.—British Wireless Service.

EARLIER MESSAGES.

Strong Shanghai Protest Against Taxes.

Shanghai, July 13.

The Shanghai General Chamber of Commerce has sent a message to the Senior Consul stating that at a meeting of the Chamber yesterday at which there were present representatives of the American, Belgian, British, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Netherlands and Swedish Chambers of Commerce, the

SOVIET FRENZY.

ARREST OF HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE.

DEATH SENTENCE THREAT.

Warsaw, July 13.

Refugees from Russia report that the Soviet Government has caused the arrest of hundreds of people in Kiev in connection with an alleged counter-revolutionary plot, including a number of officers in the Ukrainian army.

Refugees also report that Grinkow, head of the Ukrainian Communist Party, has declared that all the arrested people will be sentenced to death.—Reuter.

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

South Wall Basin, Aphis and Moorhen; East Wall Basin, Subs. L15 and L19; North Arm, Seraphis; West Wall Dock, Vindictive; In Dock, Wishart, Wild Swan and Marazion; Kowloon Dock; Forgive; Buoy 6. Emerald; Buoy 7. Emerald; Buoy 10. Wanderer; Buoy 18. Ruthenia; Buoy 19. U.S.S. Ruthenia; Buoy 20. Belgol; Buoy 26. Kharki.

A BOUQUET FOR SHANGHAI.

London, July 13.

A "bouquet" was handed to Shanghai by Major I. Isidore Salmon, M.P., speaking at the Royal Sanitary Institute Conference at Hastings.

He declared that there was nothing in England or the United States to excel the thoroughness and skill of certain "wonderfully hygienic" food-packing factories in Shanghai.—Reuter.

A TREATY COMPLETED.

Rugby, July 13.

A treaty that has been under negotiation between Sir Gilbert Clayton Air, representing the British Government, and Ibn Saud has been completed and will be published after ratification.—British Wireless Service.

OPIUM POISONING.

A Chinese woman was yesterday taken to the Government Civil Hospital from Room No. 414 of the Taitsin Hotel, No. 90, Des Voeux Road Central suffering from opium poisoning. Whether the drug was self-administered or not is now forming the subject of police investigation.

MORRISON HILL ACCIDENT.

An earth quake was yesterday reported to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from injuries received as the result of a fall of rocks after blasting operations on Morrison Hill.

Chairman was instructed to convey to the Senior Consul the following expression of opinion on the subject of the newly imposed taxes recently promulgated by the local Chinese authorities, the increase in tonnage dues and the embargo on specie:

"That this meeting desires to enter a strong protest against the illegal surtaxes and luxury taxes recently promulgated, also the illegal increase in tonnage dues. Furthermore, the meeting objects to the present increase in taxation on the grounds that they will be used principally for financing China's civil wars.

"Due to recent events in Hankow, the Chamber also views with grave concern the embargo imposed on specie."

In order that the above mentioned may be discussed and a ruling obtained from the Consular bodies with reference to the attitude that foreign merchants and shippers should adopt regarding the payment of the increased taxes, the Chamber requests that it be permitted to send an International deputation to call upon the Senior Consul.

The Northern authorities are collecting the 2½ per cent. increase in the surtax and 5 per cent. luxury tax. It is understood that the Japanese are refusing to collect them at Antung and Dairen.—Reuter.

Counter-Attack.

Shanghai, July 13.

Foreign reports from Haichowfu indicate that Chiang Kai-shek's forces successfully counter-attacked and re-occupied ground as far as Lincheng.—Reuter.

Tsingtao Peaceful.

Tsingtao, July 13.

The present situation apparently favours the North. Tsingtao is perfectly peaceful and the situation is much easier.—Reuter.

Mr. T. V. Soong.

Hankow, July 12.

Mr. T. V. Soong returned on Tuesday afternoon aboard a British steamer from Shanghai. Troops continue to proceed down river, while it is rumoured that troops from Canton are approaching Nanchang.—Reuter.

GIRL'S VISION.

TRUTH ABOUT THE MIRACLE VILLAGE.

BODY THAT WILL NOT DECAY.

[There is a lady at Lourdes]

who saw a woman's wound close before her very eyes as she was tending her in the baths. This is only one of thousands of strange cures that have taken place in this mystery village of the Pyrenees—medical science cannot explain them. The Rev. Desmond Morse-Boycott, who visited Lourdes to investigate the facts on behalf of the "Sunday Chronicle," writes as follows in that journal.]

In preceding articles I have discussed the beginnings of Lourdes and the tale of its crutches which cluster round the Grotto. Let us now consider the facts, in order to discover a conclusion, if conclusion we can come to.

First of all, there is no doubt that there was an ignorant peasant child named Bernadette who, on February 11, 1858, went out to gather sticks and... saw something.

What she saw we may consider in a moment, but it is clear that, during those extended "visions," she showed signs of being in contact with something supernatural... above nature. She was watched by crowds, among whom were men of intelligence and marked scepticism.

Taken to Convent.

Every effort was made by the authorities to check those first strange pilgrimages. For four years the Church held aloof and would not recognise them. Bernadette had not the intelligence to concoct her stories, which never varied under the most acute analysis and examination.

I have just been in an ancient, peaceful convent, whither she was taken by kindly nuns after the apparitions ceased. There she learnt to read and write. Her asthma, and the occupation of shepherdess, had hitherto hindered her from receiving any instruction in letters.

In order to grasp the situation we must twist things round a little.

I have just been in the bedroom which Bernadette shared with her parents and brothers and sisters. It is a miserable hovel, or rather was so... one room, for about eight of them... their beds rough mattresses thrown in corners of the room. It was formerly a prison house. The father a bankrupt miller, unstable and sinking lower and lower.

Child of Poverty.

Bernadette would have the status of the most poverty-stricken little girl from the poorest of London or Liverpool slums.

By a great stretch of the imagination we may suppose that she conjured up the "visions," or saw nothing and merely said she saw them.

The thought that occurs to me is this: If we arbitrarily dismiss the religious explanation as unworthy of credence do we not at once create a problem which is even more difficult to solve? For the effect of Lourdes must have had a cause.

Hard by, in a convent, there is dying the last person who saw the little Bernadette at her devotions before the Grotto; but there is testimonial evidence which cannot be refuted.

I have been myself privileged to speak with the younger brother of Bernadette. He lives a simple life, among his pines and his memories, in a little villa some small distance from the Grotto. He is a simple man, refined no doubt by contact with many persons in a long life.

Wish Fulfilled.

He did not see the occurrences at the Grotto, for he was born long after they occurred. He showed me some letters penned in after life by Bernadette, naive and simple. He believes implicitly that his elder sister was favoured by heavenly apparitions.

An interesting point to notice is that the Lady who appeared to Bernadette said nothing about miracles, but asked that a church might be built upon the rock and that processions might take place there. This has all been fulfilled.

Lourdes is beautiful in its architectural wonders, and processions take place constantly. I witnessed the first procession of the season. The great church was picked out with lights, and a vast concourse of people took part in a torchlight procession around the demesne. It was an awe-inspiring sight, and the sound of many voices singing "Ave" in the darkness moved me intensely.

The little girl's naive statement of the Lady's wishes has been literally fulfilled. But suppose your little Liverpool child

murmured some strange words of an apparition, would we believe? Would we build a glorious temple and walk round in procession? The proof would have to be mighty good first. I cannot but think that the proof was mighty good in Bernadette's case.

Cures Astonishing.

The cures which have taken place were not promised by the Lady, or mentioned by Bernadette. At least as far as we know. There were some things that Bernadette would never speak about.

But the cures are authentic,

and of every sort and kind. I have spoken with a lady who saw a woman's wound close before her very eyes as she was tending her in the baths. They are not induced by faith in the ordinary sense of faith-healing.

There is the case of the boy who did not know he was diseased and yet was healed; there is the case of an infidel man who, dying from a ghastly disease, was brought to Lourdes, unconscious, by his wife, opened his eyes suddenly, professed his sorrow for many sins, and was completely healed.

Moreover, a strong disposition to believe oneself healed could scarcely replace missing bones, mend fractures, heal consumptives on the verge of death, close gaping fissures and remove all trace of growths. There was a woman who had a terrible growth which was steadily subduing all internal organs. The growth completely vanished. Where?

It is not the hypnotism of the crowds. Many cures have taken place in spots far removed from Lourdes by application of the water and by prayer. People have, too, been cured at Lourdes, and healed on the way home.

It is not the water alone which does these things. It contains no healing or medical properties. Cures take place apart from the water.

The medical bureau is above suspicion. There is always a number of doctors who are merely concerned in medicine and not miracles. The bureau sifts cases mercilessly, and often postpones its verdicts for years. The most that it will say is that the cure cannot be attributed to a natural process. But if not natural, what then?

The Simplest Explanation.

May it not be true that, after all, the simplest explanation is the best; that this peasant child the Mother of Christ was permitted to appear as "a beautiful Lady," dressed, according to the child's description, in a white robe with a blue sash, a rose resting on each bare foot, and holding in her hand a rosary; that the Lady directed the child to search in the ground for a stream of water, which the watchers saw exude first in a tiny trickle, and which still gushes forth with healing for the multitude.

There is nothing in this belief which is opposed to Christianity in any of its phases. With God all things are possible and Christianity is reputed to have been cradled in the miraculous.

At any rate those who cannot accept his simple explanation will be hard put to to discover a better, and Lourdes as a present miracle may be seen by all, and shared by all. There are no restrictions, and you may bathe in the healing waters without any questions being asked!

Undecaying Body.

There are three other things that remain to be noticed. There are no police within the religious demesne of Lourdes, although there are tens of thousands of pilgrims annually. There is never any infectious disease, although Lourdes is always full of people suffering from virulent disease.

And, last of all, Bernadette's body, after lying buried for nearly fifty years, has been exhumed from the ground and found to be in perfect composition, with its linen unsoiled and white!

Strawberry growers in Southern Hampshire declare that the crop will be a poor one and that the season will be one of the shortest on record. Two or three white frosts, experienced when the flowers were in bloom, robbed the growers, it is stated, of at least half their crops and caused thousands of pounds damage. Now the spell of hot weather is ripening the fruit too quickly and with the absence of moisture the fruit has failed to swell.



K.R.A. MEETING.

CASTLE PEAK BATHING FACILITIES.

KOWLOON TONG AGAIN.

Castle Peak bathing provisions, street lighting, the lack of dimming facilities on motor buses and the advisability of planting shade trees at Kowloon Tong, were among the matters discussed at the monthly meeting of the Kowloon Residents' Association, over which Mr. B. Wylie presided in the absence of Mr. W. J. Stokes. The following report is contributed:—

In the matter of increased public bathing facilities on the Peninsula, the Committee had written Government requesting accommodation on the small beach east of the pier at Castle Peak. To this request a reply had been received pointing out that the report of the Bathing Beaches Committee had definitely recommended the bay at Cheung Sha rather than the one at Castle Peak for public use. Government did not feel justified in spending further public money on bathing facilities this year but hoped to include provision for this site in 1928.

Shade Trees. With reference to the planting of shade trees at Kowloon Tong, copies of letters between Government and the Kowloon Tong Subscribers' Association had been received, but in the absence of a decision by the Botanical and Forestry Department the General Committee decided not to express its views in the meantime.

The Association's representative on the Board of Education made a brief report on conditions in the Central British School. A general discussion took place following further complaints regarding the unsatisfactory condition of the gas street lighting on Nathan Road and the dangers attendant on the lack of dimming facilities on many of the motor buses. It was decided to defer action until next month, the Hon. Secretary being instructed to produce all previous correspondence on these two subjects.

The Hon. Treasurer reported a credit balance of \$1,004.62 and a membership of 298.

Mr. Lam Ming-fan joined the Association during the past month.

STOLEN CURRENT.

ELECTRIC SHOP OWNER FINED.

Before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, the proprietor of an electrical goods shop of Sankung Road, Kowloon City, was charged with connecting a wire to the street main, and burning a 150 candle power light at the expense of the China Light and Power Company.

Mr. H. J. Armstrong, solicitor for the Company, prosecuted, while the defendant was represented by Mr. F. H. Loseby.

Entering a plea of "not guilty," Mr. Loseby said that while he admitted that electricity was stolen in the manner alleged by the prosecution, his defence was that the defendant had no knowledge of the act.

Mr. Armstrong's case was that the defendant had insulated an electric wire to the Company's mains. This was discovered by Mr. C. H. Miles and Mr. Pickett when they visited the premises as the result of information received. A cashier of the Company went to the defendant's shop on the instructions of the Europeans. He asked the defendant who had connected the wire to the main and defendant said "We did it."

The defendant said that he was not aware of the theft as he always left the shop to go home at about 10 p.m. On the night in question he was delayed by business and had remained in the shop until midnight when the Europeans came.

Mr. Schofield convicted the defendant and imposed a fine of \$75.

Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

Entertainments.

July 14—Queen's Theatre; "So This is Paris."

July 14—World Theatre; "East Lynne."

July 14—Star Theatre, Kowloon; Matinees "The Sensation Seekers"; 9.15 p.m. Wilbur Players in "The Girl From Childs."

July 14—Tea Dance Cafe Restaurant, Parisien, 4.30 p.m. Special Dinner 8 p.m.

July 14—Isako's Circus, New Reclamation Ground, Wanchai, 9.15 p.m.

July 14—Informal dance at "Cheer 'O" 7 p.m.; sing song at "Better 'Ole" 7 p.m.

July 15—Naval and Military Y.M.C.A.'s "Cheer 'O" Concert, 7 p.m.

July 16—Grand Concert at City Hall 8.30 p.m. for the Services.

Lamson's Auction.

July 16—At Godown No. 28, H.K. & K. Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, 350 bundles mild steel, 11 a.m.

July 18—Household furniture, at 719, Nathan Road (top floor), Kowloon, 2.45 p.m.

Meeting.

July 14—St. Peter's Church Ladies Guild Meeting, 5.30 p.m.

Miscellaneous.

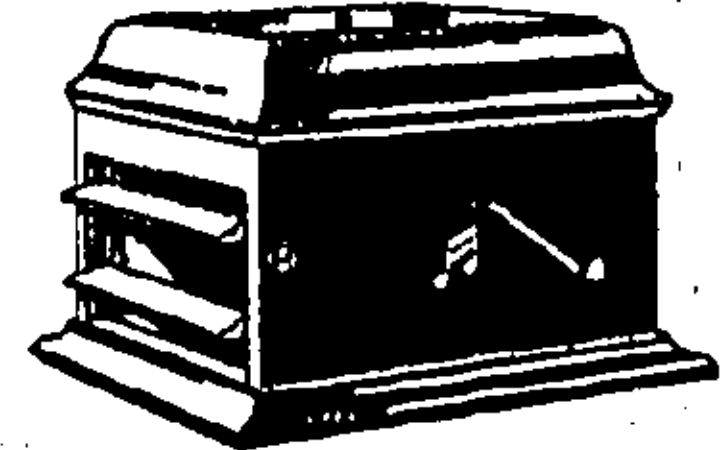
July 15—St. Peter's Church Y.M.C.'s whist drive, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 8.30 p.m.

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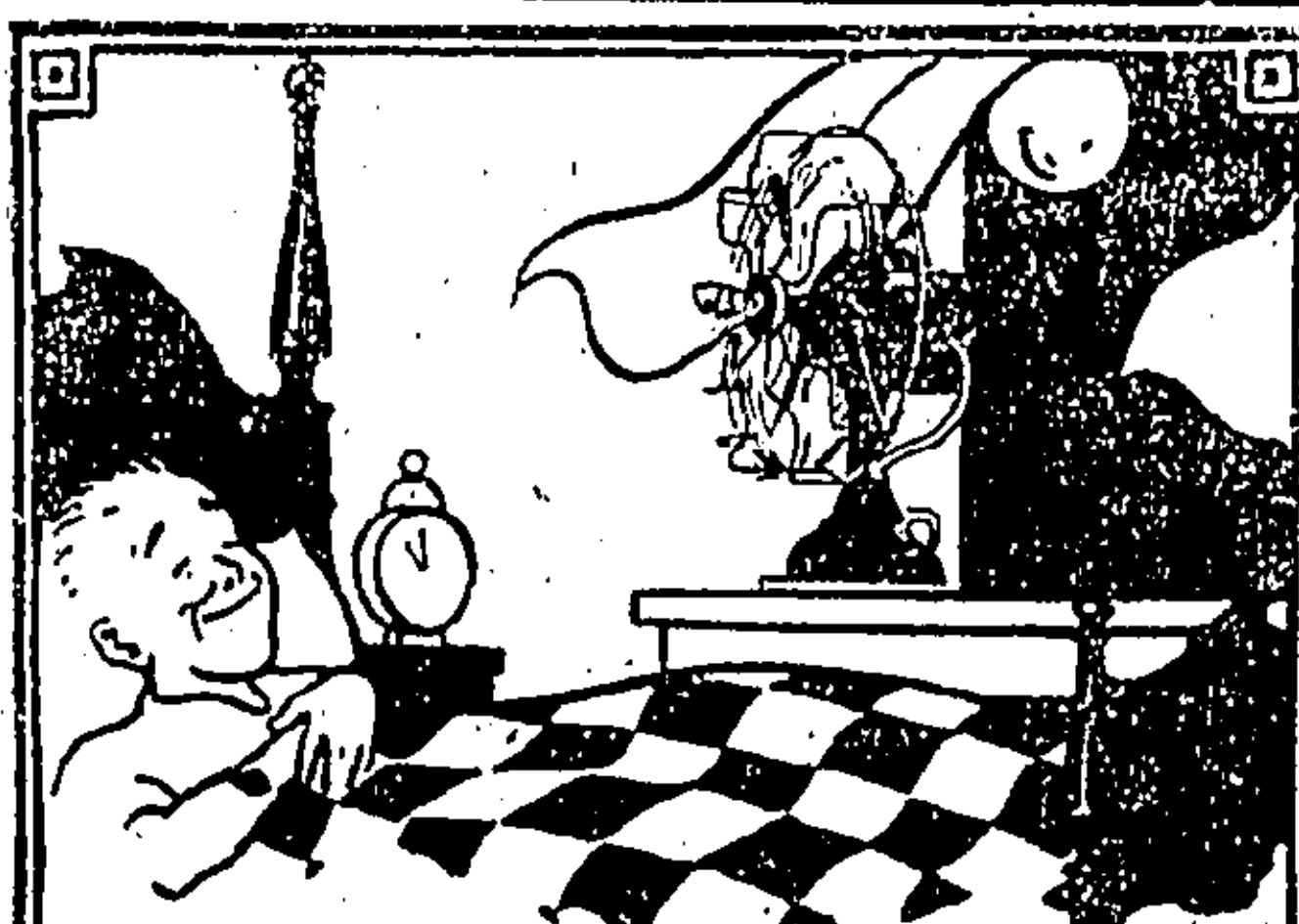
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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

At the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, Inspector P. J. O'Brien of the S.P.C.A., charged a Chinese poultry dealer of No. 241 Portland Street, Yaumati, with cruelty to some ducks which were overcrowded in two crates. The ducks were tied together by the feet and piled up "like oranges." The Magistrate (Mr. W. Schofield) imposed a fine of \$5.

Sir Harry Parlett, for 37 years counsellor at the British Embassy in Japan, is expected home soon with his wife on retirement owing to ill health. Sir Harry says that the situation in China will take many years to clear up—or rather to buy up, as generals only remain faithful until higher bribes are offered.

Excessive food kills many more hundreds of people than alcoholic drinks, said Col. F. A. F. Barnardo, Principal of the Medical College Hospital, in an address on the use and abuse of alcohol, given at the Calcutta Rotary Club. "It is my profound conviction," he added, "that alcohol means less harm to the health of the community than the diseases which are attendant on meat eating and sugar sucking."

"Advertising always pays. We need money and I am convinced advertising will bring it to us," said Mr. Charles Stopp, at the annual meeting of the Golden-square Throat, Nose, and Ear Hospital, Regent-street, W. Mr. Lionel de Rothschild, president, said that the committee had put into operation a scheme to secure the interest in the hospital of the inhabitants of Golden-square. "I signed nearly 300 letters asking their co-operation, but only ten replies were received," he said. "Most of the inhabitants of Golden-square appear to be Scotsmen—perhaps they help the hospitals in Edinburgh." (Laughter).

Some 1,000 Chinese are affected, it is stated, by an order resuming Crown land in the neighbourhood of Kap Shek Mei village, between Taiipo Road and Cheung Sha Wan, where improvements are to be put in hand which will necessitate the removal of about 300 to 400 huts. The notices were served on Monday and give 28 days as the limit for evacuation. According to the vernacular papers, many of the squatters now affected were at one time living in small villages near Kowloon. Then, when the development of this neighbourhood was put in hand they had to find accommodation elsewhere and removed to Kap Shek Mei. It is understood that application for assistance is to be made to the two Chinese representatives on the Legislative Council.

The Colony had a clean bill of health yesterday.

A decree has been issued in Rome for the establishment of a school of malarial diseases, with a view to promoting the study of the medical problems presented and the improvement of marsh areas. The school will be open both to Italians and foreigners.

According to the Registrar-General's statistical review of England and Wales, the deaths ascribed to cancer during 1925 were the highest yet recorded. They numbered 51,339—24,002 men and 27,337 women. The increase continued to be much more rapid for men than for women. Cancer mortality was strikingly constant all over the country.

Trees named after the sixty-five members of the first Government of Canada elected in the Province of Quebec will perpetuate their memory. In the chief town of each of the sixty-five counties they represented there will be planted on July 1, the 60th anniversary of Confederation, a maple tree. Each tree will be named after the county's first representative at Ottawa.

The planet Saturn is now a very bright object in the night sky, for it is in a practically straight line with the sun and the earth, says a Home paper. At midnight summer time, it is due south, and with a small telescope the rings, which are a distinguishing feature of the planet, may be clearly seen. The rings are at present wide open, whereas in 1921 they appeared to be closed up.

Members of St. Peter's Club and their friends spent an enjoyable time yesterday evening when a moonlight bathing picnic by launch to Repulse Bay took place. The summer programme of this popular Club is proving no less successful than that of the winter when the debates held under its auspices proved a great draw and to-morrow evening, judging from the number of tickets sold, the whist drive in the Cathedral Hall will be no less successful.

Twenty sharks have been caught off Brighton and taken to the Aquarium. They vary in length from two feet six inches to four feet, and belong to a species of British shark known as the "spurdog," from the sharp spines set in front of each dorsal fin. These spines form weapons of a formidable character. British sharks do great damage to the fishing industry, not only by eating a large number of herrings while following the shoals round the coasts, but by cutting away the hooks from the lines with their razor-sharp teeth.

The Hong Kong Hotel Garage is shortly to augment its various bus services (to Repulse Bay, Felix Villas, etc.), two Thornycroft passenger vehicles, capable of seating twenty passengers each, having arrived in Hong Kong from Shanghai. They will be put on the road when repairs and overhauls have been completed and certificates obtained from the Police.

The head of the Quebec Forestry Department, who has had two aeroplanes searching for Captain Nungesser and Captain Coli, the lost Atlantic airmen, has been inundated with letters from residents on the north shore of the Gulf of St. Lawrence offering to lead searchers to the spot where the airmen were forced down. Most of the letters relate to "dream hunches."

A New York message states that a feature of the new motorships of the Kerr Line's around the world service is that four of them will have 1,500 tons of refrigerator space for carrying California fruits and vegetables to the Orient. Dutch East Indies and Straits Settlements. The first of these vessels, the "Silvergrave" is to leave San Francisco August 12.

Government servants in Kuala Lumpur will, we are sure, be shocked and annoyed to learn that they pay a good deal less for their electric lighting current than other consumers. On what principle this differentiation is made, says the "Malay Mail," we have not been able to discover, but Civil Servants, who are a proud race, will certainly resent being subsidised by the humbler and less wealthy section of the ratepayers.

Excellent mid-week programmes have been arranged at the three Hong Kong Amusements centres, starting from to-day. There is a complete change of programme at the Queen's where "So This is Paris?" an Ernest Lubitsch film featuring the two popular artists, Monte Blue and Patsy Miller, is the principal attraction, with the band of the 1st Northamptonshire rendering selections at the 5.10 and 9.20 performances. At the Star (Kowloon), "The Sensation Seekers" is being shown at matinee performances to-day and to-morrow, whilst the Wilbur Players give their farewell performances to-night ("The Girl from Chills") and to-morrow night ("Her Unborn Child"). At the World to-day until Saturday, the picture version of the old favourite "East Lynne" is being featured.

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Doyle Penrose gave a garden party at Oxhey Grange on June 23 to meet members of the China Society and Chinese students.

The late Mr. George Deacon Coutts, of Avenue Haig, Shanghai, who died on December 24, aged 64, left property in Britain of the value of £41,441, with net personality £41,173.

Mr. G. A. Hereford, District Judge and First Magistrate, Penang, is retiring from Government Service, and his successor is stated to be Mr. J. S. W. Arthur who is at present acting as Deputy Public Prosecutor.

Mr. W. L. Watkins, a well-known resident of The Straits and chairman of the Pajam and Pantai Rubber Companies, has gone home for good, and is residing at Clarendon Road, Lewisham, S.E.13.

A marriage has been arranged between Captain Philip Jermy Gwyn, 14th Punjab Regiment, and Elizabeth, elder daughter of Sir John Tilley, the British Ambassador in Tokyo, and Lady Tilley, of Felsham House, Suffolk.

Mr. R. D. Robins-Browne, a prominent member of the Johannesburg Stock Exchange, is on a visit to the Malay States. He represents many important interests and is a director of several companies in South Africa. Apart from his business activities he is closely identified with motoring generally. He is touring the East with his beautifully equipped Rolls Royce limousine.

The Governor of British North Borneo, Mr. J. L. Humphreys, left Sandakan on June 27 for Lahad Dato, on the east coast of Borneo, intending to start from there on shooting expedition, the main object of which is to obtain a specimen of the Borneo rhinoceros. It will probably be some weeks (writes the Jesselton correspondent of the "Free Press") before we get any news of their experiences, as their objective is in an uninhabited part of the country. The expedition is splendidly equipped and it is blessed with fine weather has every promise of being a success.

Dr. and Mrs. I. E. Tottenham and Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Cassidy left the Colony on July 12 by the s.s. "Sinyo Maru" for the north.

The marriage took place at the Presbyterian Church, Singapore, of Mr. Kenneth Ross, of Bangkok, to Evelyn Gladys, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Denson.

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Sir Laurence Guillemard, the retiring Governor of the Straits Settlements and Lady Guillemard, arrived in England on June 2 at Plymouth from Singapore. They have returned to 28, Tite Street, London, which will now be their permanent address.

According to an Ipoh paper information has been received of the death of Mr. E. Mathieu, retired superintendent of Government Plantations, Taiping, while on his way to Europe, the event occurring after the ship left Port Said. Mr. Mathieu was a well known tropical agricultural and horticultural authority and lived for many years in Singapore.

The following departed from Hong Kong on July 13 by the "President Grant" for Seattle:—Miss Kathleen Simmons, on a short pleasure trip to Shanghai; Mr. Kan Tong-wo, Manager of the Bank of East Asia, Hong Kong, on a business trip to Shanghai; Mr. P. H. Bordwell, Manager of the Lumber Dept. of The Robert Dollar Co. returning to headquarters in Shanghai after a business trip to Hong Kong.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Nelson, travelling home to Seattle. Mr. Nelson is in the Oil business in the F.M.S. and is going home on vacation; Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Cadbury and family travelling home to Seattle on furlough. Dr. Cadbury is connected with the Lingnam University, Canton, with Mr. James Lee their ward and son of General Li, Nationalist Army, Canton, going to the States with the Cadbury family, with whom he is to be brought up; Mr. F. F. Kan, connected with the Lingnam University Canton, travelling to Seattle; Mr. L. Schipper, well-known merchant in Shanghai, booked through to Europe.

At the Southwell Diocesan Missionary Festival, in the Minster at Southwell on July 21, the Bishop of South Tokyo preached in the afternoon.

Miss Signe Rintala, aged 13, an infant prodigy, has arrived with her father in Penang from Rangoon. It is expected that a recital will be arranged shortly. Miss Rintala is an accomplished singer and dancer, and has lately been playing in Rangoon, where she appeared before His Excellency the Governor, Sir Harcourt Butler.

In connection with the forthcoming transfer to the Court of St. James's of Baron de Cartier de Marchienne, Belgian Ambassador at Washington, a New York message recalls that the Baron, when an under-secretary at his Legation in Peking during the Boxer uprising, remained at his post, and sent to Brussels the first report on the situation that relieved the tension in Europe and America as to what had happened in China.

The engagement is announced, and the marriage will take place shortly, of Mr. J. L. Dodds, First Secretary at the British Legation, Stockholm, and Etelka Bell, of 62, Avenue de Tokio, Paris, widow of Edward Bell, of New York, late American Charge d'Affaires in Peking, and daughter of Brig-General H. Conyers Surtees, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., M.V.O. High Sheriff of County Durham, and Mrs. Surtees.

The "Squeakettes" concert party gave an excellent concert (arranged by the Naval and Military Y.M.C.A. Entertainment Committee) at the "Better Ole" (Kowloon last night), the party comprising Misses Carothers and Ellaby, Mesdames Charles, D. Brownie, Marcel, Cornaby, Greig, Hall, Grimble, Tod, Murray, Evers, and Grossman, Capt. Steel, A.D.C., Lieut. D. M. Bycroft, R.E., Surg-Lieut. Bradfield, R.N., Mrs. Russell-Brown. At St. Andrew's Church Hall (Kowloon) another concert for Service men took place, the artists being Mrs. F. J. Jenner, Miss May Gaubert, Miss Doris Punccheon, Mr. Russell, Mr. Tippet, Mr. Warren, Mr. Chaplin, Miss C. Dixon and Mr. J. Pearns.



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"BOBBY" JONES' RECORD ROUND.

AUSTRALIAN COMES SECOND.

St. Andrews, July 13.
In the British open golf championship "Bobby" Jones played amazing golf and did the first round in 68 (a 32 and a 36) beating the amateur record of the course by three strokes and equalling Duncan's professional record.

Five thousand followed whose scores read Jones 4, 5, 4, 4, 3, 3, 4, 2, 3, 4, 3, 4, 5, 4, 4, 4, 4, 3. He was bunkered at the second and took two to get out. He holed a 12 yard putt on the fifth green, doing 580 yards in two. Then



Jim Barnes.

amid cheers he holed a 30 yard putt for three. After that he set an eagle and three birdies.

His first bad shot was in the tenth when he drove short and duffed a chip shot.

A nasty lie at the 14th cost him three to the green.

He holed out at the 18th amidst a deafening ovation.

First round leaders are:—

R. T. Jones	68
Nettlefold (Australia)	71
Dobson (East Renfrew)	72
Storey (West Hill)	72
Hudson (Tenby)	72
Kirkwood	72
W. Torrance (Edinburgh)	72
Murray (Skerries)	72
Compton	74
Braid	75
Barnes	76
Robson	76
Aubrey-Boomer	76
Taylor	76
Tolley	77
Nabholz (U.S.A.)	77
Methorn (U.S.A.)	77
Tweddell	78

—Reuter.

LOCAL TENNIS.

KOWLOON TEAMS FOR SATURDAY.

The following will represent the K.C.C. on Saturday at 4.30 p.m. on K.C.C. ground:—

"B" team v. Club de Recreio.—C. H. Atkins and D. J. Purves, Woodward and K. A. Carstensen, P. M. Pinguet and G. S. Ford.
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WIGHTMAN CUP.

MISS RYAN TOO BUSY TO PLAY.

New York, July 13.
Miss Ryan, owing to personal affairs which will keep her abroad all the summer, will not be available for the team which will defend the Wightman Cup against the English ladies at Forest Hill in August.—Reuter.

WORKING AT GOLF.

DIFFERENCE BETWEEN U.S. AND BRITAIN.

HOW AMERICANS' WORK.

The position of the professional golfer has undergone numerous changes, says Archie Compton. Many will remember that he used to be green keeper as well as player. In his young days, Harry Vardon has told us that he played this dual part, and even to-day, at the small clubs where little golf is played except at the week-end, the professional lends a hand with the mowing and the general upkeep of the course. In more recent times, however, it has been recognised that a professional can play a more useful part so far as the member are concerned and generally he devotes his whole time to looking after their interests.

A number of people think that the professional lends a life of ease and some luxury. His occupation is pleasant, inasmuch as a considerable part of it is carried on out of doors. But he does not escape the trials and troubles of the ordinary man, and his business affairs, as they are conducted through the shop, are often a worry. Just like any other trader, the professional often wonders how he is going to

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pay his bills. For he can make bad debts, and though it may be something of a surprise, players also run up considerable bills and demand long credit. Besides, we occasionally make mistakes in our trading which cause a financial loss. But, as a professional I make no complaint. I am satisfied with my lot. As a youth I was attracted to the game, and I have no regret that I decided to try and get my living from it. Best of all, I like the work, especially the teaching. It fascinates me to watch the development of a pupil. There are usually great possibilities, and every teacher with his heart in his job has his reward when they are realised. It is my belief that there should be no formula in the instruction of golf. Fundamental principles must, of course, be observed, but each person can be allowed a little licence, and the art of teaching is to fit a style to the player rather than to attempt to make the player adopt a given style which may for physical reasons be entirely unsuitable to him.

As a Free-Lance.

Some time ago, I made an experiment. I resigned my position on the eve of a trip to America and decided to become a free lance. The stories had been told about the earnings of Hagen and other professionals in America who were not attached to a club, but I do not think they influenced me. It was a gamble which appealed. It is not true either that I intended to settle down in America. Statements to this effect were broadcast, but I was not responsible for them. If I had wanted to live in America I could have done so. More than one offer has been made to me, and one cannot lightly throw off home ties. It has again been suggested that I shall not come back from the present American tour. This is also untrue. I shall return with the rest of the team and all being well, I hope to compete for the British championship at St. Andrews in July. Let me say frankly that I have no desire to leave home for America, and it will have to be some exceptional opportunity which will make me change my mind.

But after a year or so as a free lance, I admit that there is something more to be preferred in a definite appointment. To be one's own master is, perhaps, attractive, but the life is unsettling. There are also other aspects of the free lance's work which are trying. From the point of view of tournament play, one has more time for practice, but when 114 was attached to a club I could always make time, even if it meant staying a little late after all the lessons were over. Possibly it is thought that the man who has no club duties to attend to should play better, but I am not conscious that this has been my experience.

Not Enough Practice.

As a professional, I believe that one should work at the game. Generally the British golfer does not practice enough. One cannot, of course, expect the amateur to make a labour of it, though his game would, I am sure, be all the better if he were more thorough. In regard to the professional, however, I have always thought it essential that he should take off his coat and roll up his sleeves, as it were, for this is the only way in which one could hope to be successful. You may be able to play the shots, but that is not enough. You

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AUSSIES IN MALAYA.

REVIEW OF SUCCESSFUL TOUR.

SPORTING ENTHUSIASM.

Malaya bade a regretful goodbye to eleven Australians who have made things very interesting for us during the past month, says the "Straits Times." When first it was suggested that a strong Australian cricket team should be brought up here there was a good deal of doubt expressed as to whether it would be worth while. Most people pictured a series of matches in which the visitors would make a gigantic score and get the local opposition out for two handfuls of runs. To a certain extent the great superiority expected has been shown, but the tour has emphatically been well worth while. There remains, of course, that famous "test match" at Kuala Lumpur in which Malaya actually won by 39 runs. True it was a wicket on which anything could happen, but it is true also that it was the same for both sides, and the Malayan eleven are entitled to all kinds of credit for a fine achievement.

The match which ended the tour also illustrated that famous "glorious uncertainty" of the game. The Australians declared with 341 and got their opponents out for 69. Following on, Malaya had lost seven wickets for 57 before lunch time, and the majority of the spectators did not trouble to go back in the afternoon. Had they done so they would have seen a fine partnership between Brand and Harker-Taylor, which, while it could not save off an innings defeat, put on sufficient runs to make the score look respectable. From the sporting point of view the visit has been of the highest value. Malaya has been accustomed to take its cricket very much for granted, and outside the enthusiasts there has not been much general interest in the great British game.

Public Impressed.

The fact that local players can make a respectable showing against a visiting team including four of last year's Australian Test Match players has impressed the public mind, and in future there should be much more enthusiasm over a sport which tests the whole capabilities of the players as few other sports do. From a wider point of view the visit should have a value in Australia itself in spreading information regarding an important country under British guidance and comparatively close to the southern hemisphere.

We think Mr. Macartney and his men, once they have got away from all the fastings and junketings and are able to have that much needed "lie off" on the Marella, will find themselves highly impressed with all that they have seen.

They have made a fairly extensive tour of a rich and prosperous country, where, judging by the scale of hospitality, all the white inhabitants live in ease and luxury. Actually they have seen more of Malaya than falls to the lot of a good many people who spend years here but are tied by their work to one place. They have seen tin mines and rubber estates, they have been entertained by Sultans and high officials, and in spite of a strenuous tour they have had the opportunity of picking up a good deal of information.

must be able to command them and produce them when they are wanted. Consistency counts for more than flashy brilliance.

Whilst we generally play at golf, the Americans work at it. Duncan told us this several years ago, but we have been slow to appreciate all that the difference means. I saw for myself when I was in America how the professional there takes the utmost pains to be shot perfect. Unlike us, he is not prepared to take anything for granted. Before the start of every tournament, all the competitors go out with a dozen balls and spend half an hour trying the clubs over. The result is that when they are called to the tee they are already in touch with the game and are less likely to make slips at the beginning of the round.

I have always worked at golf, and any success I have achieved has not come easily. I have spent hour after hour practicing, and though temperamentally I am supposed to be able to do this better than many players, I am bound to admit that the task has sometimes grown tiresome and if I had not been so keen and determined to make a place for myself in the game, I do not suppose I should have shown quite the same amount of perseverance.

To succeed, the golfer must have ambitions, and, if I may say so, he must be a little ruthless to realise them. He must be able to fight, he must have a big heart and be able to stand up to all the rebuffs he is bound to experience. Above all, he must have self-discipline. With many golfers, these virtues have to be acquired, and in the meantime, there is a danger that he may be misunderstood.

That they must be feeling the effects of four weeks of concentrated cricket under tropical skies we can well believe. What has made it specially hard was that the visitors were only sufficient in number to make up a team and thus all were called upon to play in every match, save in one or two cases where indisposition made this impossible. Their hosts have much appreciated the sporting way in which they resolutely stuck to the programme and all the social engagements which went with it.

Seeing the Best. Particularly has the tour been valuable in giving people in Malaya who never in their lives will watch first-class cricket in England or Australia a chance of seeing the best there is. Britain rightly prides herself on her enthusiasm for sport, and the wonderful way in which it has been developed in every place where the British flag flies has perhaps had more to do with the cementing of good relations than all the efforts of the politicians.

We sincerely hope that there will be other visits of the kind, when the visitors may find it possible to bring two or three reserves and the programme can be spread over a longer period. In future the doings of Australian cricketers will be read with special interest by enthusiasts of various races in Malaya, and of certain of the players readers will be able to say that they have seen them play on Malayan grounds.

From the point of view of the Malayan resident also the visit has done much to quicken interest in Australia itself. One wishes that the journey was just a few days shorter so that a trip to Australia could come within the compass of a spell of short leave. It is said that there is a possibility of this being done within not so very long a time. The more people of different parts of the Empire see of each other and get some insight into each other's problems the better will relations be.

Discovering The East.

It is gratifying to find that the East is being more and more discovered by Australians as an excellent place in which to take a holiday, though it is to be feared that a large proportion of them do not carry their journey beyond Java.

If the advertising which the tour has given Malaya induces more of them to extend the trip to British territory to see much which is well worth seeing that will be another reason for gratitude to Mr. Macartney and his men and those whose persistence led to the organisation of the tour.

SINGAPORE BOXER.

BOY WALLEY'S SUCCESS IN AMERICA.

Accounts of Boy Walley's (the Singapore boxer) success against Frankie Murray in San Francisco are to hand. This was a return fight over ten rounds, Walley having lost on points at the previous meeting, and the contest topped the bill at the Monarch Athletic Club on June 23.

Walley appears to have made a forceful fight of it all the way through. He kept going at the American from the first to the last gong, punishing Murray badly with body punches. Murray did some damage in the second round, but he only checked Walley for a moment. The Singapore boy continued to be the aggressor and his punches carried plenty of weight. He dropped Murray once with a hefty right-hander and in the last round although Murray stood up to a slugging exchange, he was in a bad way when the gong sounded.

One of the most interesting things about Walley is that since he has been away he has put on the weight that he needed. For the above contest he scaled 112 pounds and a half, just over the flyweight limit. This explodes the prospect that many held out as to his being far too light for the flyweights in America. Murray was well within the bantam class, weighing 114 pounds.

The victory was well deserved, and it is going to prove very profitable, for it gives the local lad the opening for bigger things. We understand that efforts will be made to match him against Frankie Genario, Newby Brown and other prominent flyweights, the ultimate aim being to fix a match between him and the World's flyweight champion, La Barba.

The Younger Walley.

The boy's younger brother, who has been cleaning up all opposition in the Philippine Islands was unfortunate in his return bout with Joe Alexander in Manila. It was a hard fight and the two were very close, so much so that many disputed the decision. They have been rematched over 12 rounds.

BOXING.

SPANIARD DEFEATS HARRY WILLS.

K.O. IN FOURTH ROUND.

New York July 14.
The Spanish Boxer Paelino Uzcudun knocked out Harry Wills, the Negro heavyweight in the fourth round of 16-round contest at Ebbetsfield, Brooklyn.—Reuter

WILLS AND PAOLINO.

NEGRO MAY STAGE A COME BACK.

THE AFTERMATH.

New York.
What about Harry Wills? Is there still a good fight left in the Brown Panther? Has the man who was the dark menace in the heavy weight division for some 15 years at last reached the end of his rope as a factor to be reckoned with in the class? So it seemed over in Ebbets Field last Columbus Day when the rather green Jack Sharkey battered him so badly that Wills, either through lack of control brought about by weakness, or in sheer desperation committed a foul that gave the fight to the Boston strong boy and brought restful respite to the negro.

But now it develops that Sharkey is not merely a green, strong young fellow. He has blossomed forth in his true colours as a smart, fast clever, hard-hitting boxer, who has the ability to keep cool and shoot his punches at the proper time and with the proper timing—in short, a real menacing contender for the heavyweight championship of the world.

We now discover that Wills was up against a real opponent and not the "set up" that Sharkey was generally regarded at the time the match was made. Of course, Wills was a bit overrated, just as Sharkey was underrated, nevertheless Sharkey's subsequent successes serve to put the Brown Panther in rather a more favourable light than he was left in when he faded into the gloom of Ebbets Field after he had been practically knocked out by Sharkey.

Mystery Man.

Wills always has been the big mystery of the heavy-weight class. True enough, he fought and defeated some of the greatest heavyweights that we have had in modern times, among them the great Sam Langford, Joe Jeannette, Sam McVey and others of lesser ability, but the fact remains that the best men that he beat already had beaten him before and were on the toboggan when he scored over them, while he was on the up grade, as we might say.

However, the public for the last half-dozen years or so, almost continuously has held up Wills as the one man who was the one and only contender for the title held by Jack Dempsey. It never was because of anything Wills had done or any spectacular noteworthy ring feat accomplished by him, that made the fight public take up the cudgels in his behalf and demand that he be given a fight with Dempsey but, strangely enough, it was because of the things he did not do.

The things that served to keep Wills out of a fight with Dempsey for the title were the fights that he indulged in and the showing he did not make in these fights. By that I mean that every time Wills took part in a battle just when the iron seemed hot and ready to strike for a championship battle he made such a miserable performance, even though winning at that, he immediately killed off any chance for the title bout.

Time would elapse and pretty soon Mr. John Public would again begin to talk of Wills as a contender for Dempsey's title. Then along came Sharkey. What the Boston strong boy did to the Brown Panther is now ring history. And there is no doubt but that he could repeat the trick, the next time doing ever a more complete and quicker job.

This much, no doubt, will be conceded by even the most ardent admirer of Harry Wills as a fighter. But here comes the strange part of it all. Harry Wills once more by his silence and inactivity is exerting his strange influence and he is now being talked of in

connection with a match with Paolino, the Basque woodchopper.

Chance for Wills.

The match is practically closed by Senor Humbert J. Fugazy, who vies with Tex Rickard as our promoter of things fistie. Now in my opinion, Wills knows much too much for the Spaniard. I do not believe that Wills's hands are any good. I do not believe he dares to hit a hard jaw as hard as his arm and back muscles will permit and yet this Paolino is just the type of fighter who would make Wills look remarkably good in the ring.

Wills's defence, his easy evading of the Paulino's lumbering slow rushes and blocking or ducking of the ponderous round-house swings of the Basque would have the crowd remarking that this was a different Brown Panther than the one whom Jack Sharkey so easily tamed, and the fight would serve to put Wills back on a pedestal not far below the one from which Sharkey jostled him.

And then some promoter, probably Fugazy, would have another ready made match tossed right in his lap. Wills and Maloney, for instance or Wills and—who knows Dempsey?

The resultant match, if Wills does to Paulino what he figures to do, would provide a great gate—and most likely a "bum contest."

WONDERFUL BERYL.

UNIQUE GEM FOR BRITISH MUSEUM.

The British Museum of Natural History through the action of the Trustees, recently saved for permanent preservation a magnificent crystal of beryl of gem quality, which in the ordinary course of events would have been heated to give it the necessary blue colour and then cut up for ornamental purposes.

The crystal, which is from Brazil, stands 13 centimetres high, has a diameter of ten to twelve centimetres, and weighs 2,505 grams. The gem is exceptional in size, and is remarkable for its crystal-line development, nothing like it being known in any museum collection.

Purchases for the Geological Department included a beautifully preserved and worked out skeleton of an ichthyosaur near 13 ft. long, on a slab of lias shale from Holzmaden, Wurtemberg. Only a model of the specimen was shown to the Trustees, but the original is believed to represent a new species of the genus Eurhinosaurus, of which there is only one other example known, and is preserved in the Stuttgart Museum. The genus is so named because of the exceptionally long snout characterising its members.

Geology also acquired the well-preserved skull of a crocodile from the Miocene of the Moghara Oasis in Egypt, the only other specimen, less perfect, being in the Museum at Cairo.

Purchases for the Department of Zoology included a large and very rare Squid (Stenoteuthis caroli), which was washed ashore in March last at Scarborough.

SHARE MARKET.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

Hong Kong, July 14, 1927, 10.30 a.m.

Stock.	Hong Kong Stock Exchange.
T.T. on London	1/11 1/2
T.T. on Shanghai	78 3/4
Bank.	
Hongkong Bank	\$1056 b & a
do. Lon. Reg.	\$115 n
Chartered Bank	\$20 n
Mercantile A. & C.	\$134 n
P. & O. Bank	\$94 b
East Asia	\$68 n

Marine Insurance.

Canton Insurance	\$620 s
China Underwriters	\$0 cts. n
North China Insurance	\$148 n
Union Insurance	\$278 b & \$280 s
Yangtze Insurance	\$40 M. n

Fire Insurance.

China Fire Insurance	\$210 b
H.K. Fire Insurance	\$600 s

Shipping.

Douglases	\$312 b
H.K. Steamships	\$224 s
H.K. Tugs & Lighters	\$10 n
Indo-China (Prof)	\$30 n
do. (Def.)	\$46 n
Shell Transport	\$93- n
Star Ferries	\$62 s
Water-bots	\$16.40 b

Refineries.

China Sugars	\$18 s
Malabon Sugars	\$32 n

Mining.

Benguet	\$1.70 b
Kailan Mining Ad.	\$0.70 n
Longka's (Combined)	\$19 n
do. (Single)	\$9 n
Shanghai Exploration	\$34 n
Shanghai Loans	\$64 n
Raub	\$10/3 n
Ural Caspian	5/- n

Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.

H.K. & K. Wharves	\$108 b
H.K. & W. Docks	\$38 n
Hongkew	\$147 n
New Engineering	\$64 n
Shanghai Docks	\$77 1/2 n
Land, Hotels & Bldgs.	
H.K. & S. Hotels	\$690 s
Hongkong Land	\$55 1/4 n
Hongkong Realty	\$6 s
H.K. Territorials	\$14 n
Humphreys Estates	\$12 1/2 n
Prince's Building	\$89 n
Rural Lands	\$1 1/2 n

Cotton Mills.

Ewo Cottons	\$7.35 n
Oriental	\$11.30 b
Shai Cottons (Old)	\$1 s
do. (new)	\$25 1/2 n

Buses, Trams, &c.

China Buses	\$7 b
H.K. Tramways	\$60.55 b
Peak Trams (old)	\$15 b
do. (new)	\$8 s
Singapore Trams	\$10/9 b
Taxis	\$1 n

Miscellaneous.

H.K. Amusements	\$19 n
Canton Ice	\$5 b
Cements (comb.)	\$7. n
do. (old)	\$5.50 n
do. (new)	\$1 s
China Lights (comb.)	\$13 1/2 n
do. (old)	\$10 1/2 n
do. (new)	\$7 1/2 n
China Prov.	\$4 1/2 n
H.K. Constructions	\$2.30 s
Dairy Farms	\$15 n
Der A. Wings	\$6 n
H.K. Electric	\$52 s
Macao Electric	\$37 b
H.K. Ropes (old)	\$10 n
do. (new)	\$5 n
Lane, Crawford's	\$19 1/4 n
Macintosh	\$34 n
Sincores	\$20 n
United Asbestos	\$11 1/2 n
Watsons	\$11 1/2 n
Wm. Powells	\$3 n
H.K. Telephone	\$3.70 n
Nanyang Tobacco	—

EXCHANGE.

Hong Kong, July 14.

On London—

Bank, Wi'e	1/11 1/2
Bank On demand	1/11 15/16
Bank 30 day's sight	—
Bank 4 months' sight	2 1/4
Credits 4 months' sight	2 1/4 15/16
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months sight	2 1/4 1/16

On Paris—

On demand	1235
Credits 4 months' sight	1310

On Berlin—

On demand	nom
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On New York—

On demand	48 1/2
Credits 60 days' sight	50

On Bombay—

Wire	133 1/4
On demand	133 1/4

On Calcutta—

Wire	133 1/4
On demand	133 1/4

On Singapore—

On demand	86 1/4
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On Manila—

On demand	97 1/2
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On Shanghai—

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WHITE OR YELLOW?

POPULATION OF
AUSTRALIA.

No Australian who has thought seriously upon the question at all can imagine that the "White Australia" policy can successfully be maintained for an indefinite period, without tremendous additions to one existing white population. The anxious stress unhappily unaccompanied by concerted action on a grand scale—which is being placed upon the need for migration, both here and in Britain, is symptomatic of a fear which is none the less real because generally unexpressed. Deep in their inmost minds the rulers of Britain and Australia know that a handful of people cannot for ever justify monopoly of a huge, rich continent, while the nations of the earth call for expansion within territorial boundaries which grow more exiguous with the passage of time and the increase of population. A large fraction of the globe is very seriously overpopulated, and in face of this simple fact the moral right of six million people to pursue what must appear a dog-in-the-manger policy in a huge continent cannot much longer go unchallenged. We may subscribe wholeheartedly to the "White Australia" doctrine as an ideal transcending any possible alternative; we may attempt to justify it on ethnic, economic and sociological grounds; but we cannot hope to win the concurrence of those whose interests lie in another direction, and who insist upon putting the plain, embarrassing question: "Can you justify it on moral grounds? Have you, the happy and fortunate few, any right to exclude the miserable and unfortunate millions who are living cramped lives in the world's densely populated areas?"

Upon this moral issue, Mr. Chidell thinks, a war might easily be fought. "The moral aspect of the debate," he says, "will be more dubious than it was during the European war." Writing without extravagance of the baneful effects of the professional sensation-monger, he builds up what appears an unassailable case, based upon data collected from Italy, Japan, China and even France. One feels, at the end of his lengthy review of existing circumstances and possibilities, that it cannot be very long before our moral right to Australia is called into question. In that case, he points out, opinion in Britain itself would be divided, the British Labour Party having already committed itself to a policy of non-interference. Interested nations, he thinks, would seize upon the first opportunity provided by some European imbroglio or menace to make their demands. Britain's hands thus tied and her forces tethered, Australia would be virtually helpless. Not a pretty picture.

When Mr. Chidell attempts to formulate a solution however, he is confronted with a task which one cannot but think is beyond his powers, says the "West Australian." He suggests that Asiatic immigration to certain large and defined areas of Australia should be permitted and welcomed, and visualises a continent half white, half yellow, in which the white section would dominate and govern the yellow, and maintain a frontier vigilance which would

prevent intermingling, or penetration of the white areas by those of the yellow race. We doubt the practicability of this solution. South African experience suggests that it could only end disastrously to the interests of the white population, and it is certain that no thinking white citizen of the U.S.A. would endorse it. Even presupposing success (a rash presupposition) it does not interpret the "White Australia" policy, but replaces it with a half-white Australia policy, for which it would be exceedingly difficult to find supporters in Australia.

Whatever one may think of Mr. Chidell's conclusions, however, one cannot deny that his book is provocative of very serious thought. It is not an hysterical overstatement of the position and its dangers, but a sober review of the situation by a keen and practised observer. It should certainly be read by those parochial-minded people who oppose extensive immigration, preferring to shut their eyes to facts and to live in a fool's paradise playing "two-up" on the edge of a precipice. Not only this minority of the people of Australia, but every Australian who thinks and desires his country's good, should acquaint himself with Mr. Chidell's arguments, and thereafter think hard over the inescapable conclusion, that our national safety can only be assured by immigration on a large scale.

Australia: White or Yellow? by Fleetwood Chidell. William Heinemann, Ltd. 10s. 6d.

ODD NOTES.

Mr. Robert Hichens, who writes less, perhaps, than any other English novelist of his position, recently finished a new book. It is entitled "The Bacchantes and the Nun," and is a story of the stage in England during modern times. The novel will be published in the early autumn by the house of Methuen, which has most of Mr. Hichens's work, including "The Garden of Allah."

As a Mandarin Sees Us.

A Chinese mandarin of the fourth button, Hwuy-ung, has written "A Chinaman's Opinion of Us and of His Own Country," and Chatto announces it. The book takes the form of a series of letters which have been translated from the Chinese by Mr. J. A. Makepeace. "This is a book," the publishers say, "which does not 'date'—nor is its significance ephemeral; on every page there is matter for thought." Hwuy-ung presents us, and the civilisation which we represent, through the mind and eyes of a cultured Chinaman. Similarly, he looks at his own countrymen and their civilisation and offers his impression on both.

A Labour Leader.

Mr. Harry Gosling, M.P., now a veteran among the Labour leaders, has just written his reminiscences, under the title "Up and Down Stream." It is a very happy title, because Mr. Gosling was born among the Thames watermen, and his life's work has lain among them and other transport workers in London. He gives a picture of the Thames as a water-way as it was when he first knew it, and an account of the changes which time has brought into its face. The great dock strike of nearly forty years ago finds an intimate personal record in this book, which Methuen will publish.

Memoirs and Portraits.

The memoirs of the late Lord Ribblesdale are being edited by his daughter, Lady Wilson, who has nearly completed the task. Sir Frederick Maurice is preparing the life and private diaries of Lord Rawlinson, who was one of our most successful generals in the Great War. Mr. Arthur Irwin Dacres has done a full monograph on the private life of Charles the Second. Those three books are promised for the autumn by Cassell, who also announces "The Lure of Speed," by Major Segrave, and a volume on survival after death,

compiled by Miss Nea Walker, and furnished with a prologue and epilogue by Sir Oliver Lodge.

A German Best Seller.

A novel, "The Man Who Was Born Again," by Paul Busson, has been attracting a great deal of attention in Germany and Austria. A translation of it, made by Prince Mirski and Mr. Thomas Moutt, is to be issued here by Heinemann. The story concerns the adventures, in successive incarnations, of one Melchior Dronie by name. He is first met as a scion of the incredibly savage and brutal German aristocracy of the eighteenth century. Finally he is seen as a soldier of the Great War, when his long quest of goodness reaches its triumphant end, the attainment of perfection.

The Dream and the Business.

No American writer of fiction has a surer following here than Mrs. Edith Wharton, who, at her French home, recently completed another story. She calls it "Twilight Sleep," not in the now familiar meaning of that term, but because of the subject with which she deals. This is the desire, felt by most of us in some degree, to protect ourselves from the cruel actualities of life and to delude ourselves so that no unpleasantness or pain can be felt. Mrs. Wharton takes a group of luxury-loving men and women with their devices for eliminating mental and physical pain. She reveals their personalities, awakes them from their state of self-delusion, and brings them up against hard reality.

Stories of Several Sorts.

We have had much in English fiction about the childless wife. A story which Thornton Butterworth announces, "Race of Leaves," by Mrs. H. H. See, concerns the tragedy of a man who is torn between love of his wife and fatherhood. A Whitechapel man comes to influence and ease at St. Stephens in "Power," by Miss Naomi Jacob, which the same publisher promises. He also announces for an early date Richard Dehain's "Sower of the Wind," a tale of pioneer days in Australia. Fourthly, Mr. Butterworth is about to issue "Annette and Sylvia," by Romain Rolland. It belongs to his new, very long novel and is a study of the souls of two sisters.

Fact and Fiction.

Sir John Murray has several books coming out between now and the end of the London season. The diary of Lady Frederick Cavendish, edited by Mr. John Bailly, will soon be ready. We may expect early publication of the reminiscences of Lord Sydneyham, "My Working Life," and the Court memories, "By the Clock of St. James," of Mr. Percy Armitage. Rear-Admiral Harper's "Truth about Jutland" is also nearly ready, and the same is to be said of Mrs. Gertrude Atherton's new novel, "The Immortal Marriage," which is woven round the love of Aspasia and Pericles.

Sketches by Trollope.

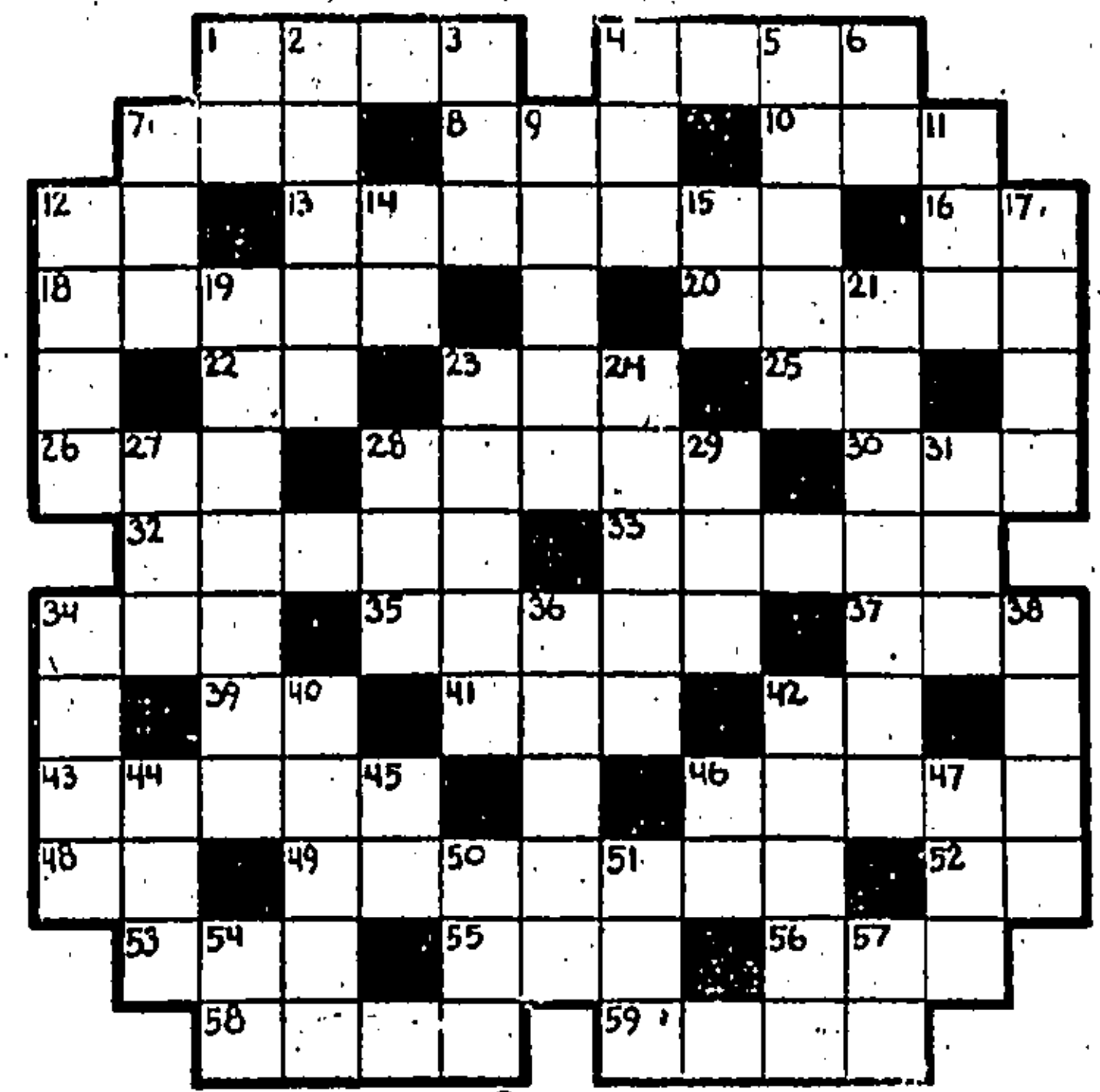
A revival of Anthony Trollope has been in progress for some time. Elkin Mathews announces now a short dozen sketches on the subject of London tradesmen, which Trollope contributed to the "Pall Mall Gazette" in 1880. They have lain hidden in the files of that journal until now, when it is thought worth while to resurrect them, both for their own interest and because they were the work of Trollope's last days. This is following what has been done for Charles Dickens in "Household Words," to which, no doubt, Anthony Trollope contributed.

Keats and Shelley.

Mr. Noel Douglas is adding two interesting volumes, the poems of Keats and the "Adonais" of Shelley, to his recently begun Replica Series. "Adonais" is, of course, a funeral elegy on Keats, and the present reprint is made from that printed at Pisa in 1821. Of it Shelley himself said that it was "beautifully printed, and what is of the more consequence, correctly." The Keats reprint is done from the 1817 "Poems," a copy of which is said to have been found in the bosom of the dead Shelley. The fly-leaf of the British Museum copy has a note to that effect by Locker-Lampson, who had the information from Robert Browning in a quite definite way.

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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| HORIZONTAL
1-The swell of the sea
4-Show
7-Put on
8-To make use of
10-Cooking vessel
12-Musical note
13-Massacre
16-Boy's name (familiar)
18-A sacred song
20-To pacify
22-Fronium
23-Young bear
25-Southern State (abbr.)
26-Article
28-Inn
30-Pronoun
32-A spiritual being
33-A seasoning
34-Queer
35-Transmitted by telegraph
37-Artitude
38-Cuffs denoting comparative degree
41-A narrow bed
42-Country of Europe (abbr.) | HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
43-System of signals
46-Long pointed teeth
48-An exclamation of joy
49-A strong impulse
52-A diminutive suffix
53-Street (Fr.)
55-Over (cont.)
56-To prod
58-To conspire
59-Osculate

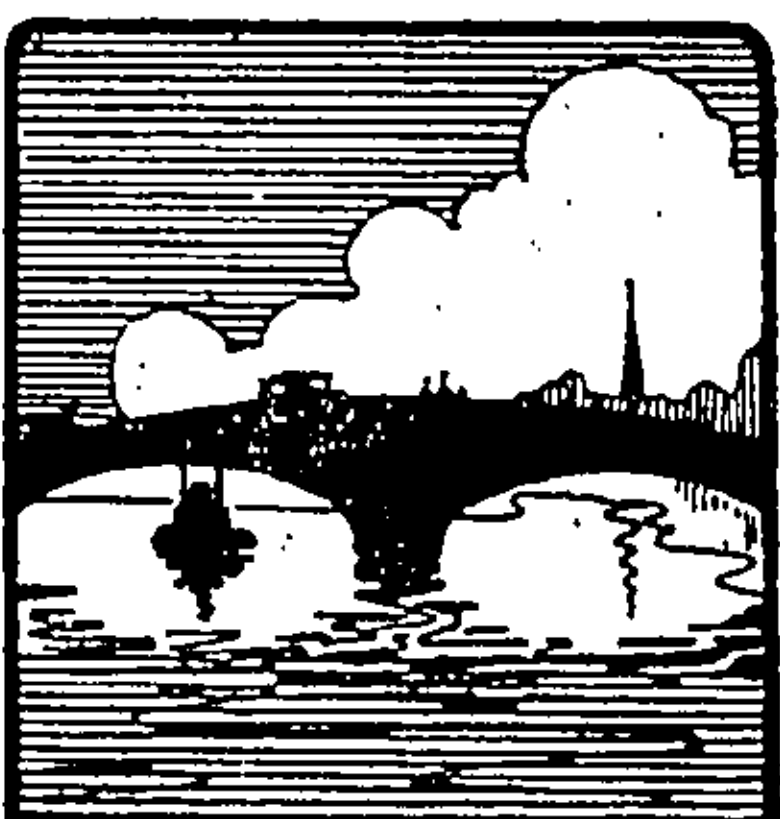
VERTICAL
1-In such a manner
2-A male relative
3-A fuzzy covering
4-Vegetable
5-To frame words out of letters
6-Exclamation
7-Prefix. Absunder
9-Projecting part of a beast's head
11-A beverage
12-A petty quarrel
13-Part of verb "to be"
15-Southern State (abbr.) | VERTICAL (Cont.)
17-Embankment to protect lowlands from inundation
19-Corrected
21-East Indian sailors
23-An acute pain experienced by babies
24-Harassed
27-Possessed
28-To back
29-Boy
31-Possessive pronoun
34-Exclamation of pain
36-To startle
38-To try by experiment
40-Repulse
42-Money
44-Part of a boat's equipment
45-A continent (abbr.)
46-Disposition
47-Small barrel
50-A drunkard
51-To bother
54-Toward a higher level
57-Part of verb "to be" |
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(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

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What is going to happen to Hankow and what is going to
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These are the two questions mostly discussed in China
to-day. Chiang Kai-shek's threat to attack the former and
oust the Communists has not yet materialised, though there
are many indications that such a move is imminent. Feng
Yu-hsiang is persevering in his march upon the Fengtien forces,
with Peking and Tientsin as his objective, and has crossed the
Yellow River. His menace to Chang Tso-lin and the capital
appears more ominous than Chiang's now long-promised exter-
mination of the Bolsheviks in Hankow and other Yangtse ports.

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THE WAY THE WORLD WAGS.

For Gloucester against Somers-
et Hammond made his sixth
hundred of the season.

Lord Wimborne's Fancy Free
won the Whitsuntide Cup at
Hurst Park race meeting.

Professor J. B. Bury, Regius
Professor of Modern History at
Cambridge, has died in his 66th
year.

It was their earnest hope that
every possible success might at-
tend the noble aims and objects
of the congress.

At a special delegate confer-
ence of the Miners' Federation,
Mr. Herbert Smith reported that
in every district conditions were
very bad. It is understood that
the conference decided in favour
of confiscation, instead of com-
pensation, in the event of the
nationalisation of minerals.

The Minister of Health stated
that in the building society
movement we had got one of the
major influences which were
moulding the lives and charac-
ters of our people. It was lift-
ing a whole section of the com-
munity from a position of de-
pendence to a state of independ-
ence.

The King, on the occasion of
his birthday placed two of the
Royal paddocks in Bushy Park at
the disposal of the National
Playing Fields Association for
use as a public playing field for
boys and girls. His Majesty has
taken this course as a mark
of his great interest in the
movement that is being made to
provide playing fields for child-
ren.

The Chancellor of the Ex-
chequer in the House of Com-
mons, replying to a question in
regard to the proposed issue of
non-stamped cheques for sums
under £2, stated that counsel
was being consulted as to the
liability of these receipts for
stamp duty. If it were found
necessary to safeguard the re-
venue of the year, there would
be ample time to deal with the
matter before the Committee
stage of the Finance Bill was
reached.

The Archbishop of Canterbury
replied to critics of the Church
of England and the Revised
Prayer Book in his address to
the Canterbury Diocesan Con-
ference. Nobody, imagined, he
said, that either by proposing
new rules or by consigning to
the wastepaper basket what had
been done, and leaving things
entirely alone, they would at
once arrive at complete harmony,
orderliness and peace, but he did
not find it difficult to decide
which alternative presented the
happier prospect.

EXIT SHALE OIL.**THE ROMANCE OF THE
SCOTTISH FIELDS.**

What has been for almost a cen-
tury a prominent industry in Scot-
land is now becoming a thing of
the past. The recent news of the
closing down of the mines and
works of the Scottish shale-oil in-
dustry marks the end of a dream
of prosperity that has never at
any time become really true (wrote
"R. T." in the Glasgow "Evening
News"). Situated in a district
whose centre is twelve miles west
of Edinburgh much was hoped for
from the wide shale field. It was
thought that the increasing use of
oil would mean a corresponding in-
creasing profit. Foreign competi-
tion decided otherwise.

The shale-oil industry began in
a small way about the middle of
last century. The pioneer in the
industry was James Young, of
Kelly, who, under a patent, pro-
duced paraffin and paraffin-oil from
the shale. Especially, was solid
paraffin produced with some success
and consequent profit. Trained as
a working joiner under his father,
James Young at length entered the
Andersonian College at Glasgow,
and latterly became assistant in
the chemistry laboratory there. In
that capacity he taught David
Livingstone, who afterwards named
an African river after him. Of
him Livingstone also said that he
had "shed a pure light in many
lowly cottages and in some rich
palaces as I, too, have shed a light
of another kind."

Many followed the initiative of
Young. Gradually the shale field
was extended and before long the
commodities produced included
shale spirit, lamp oils, fuel oils for
the navy, oils for gas making and
gas, enriching, lubricating oils,
paraffin, still coke and sulphate of
ammonia. In recent years boring
for petroleum wells has been car-
ried on, but did not meet with much
success.

The war naturally gave an im-
petus to the shale-oil industry.
Four companies—Young's, Oak-
bank, Pumpherston and Broxburn—

In three plane disasters on
the Continent seven aviators
have been killed.

Nine people were killed and
twenty injured, near Moulins,
when the Paris Nimes express
ran into a derailed wagon of a
goods train.

Canon Brown, secretary of the
Advisory Council of Training for
the Ministry, states that the new
scheme for remedying the dearth
of clergy in the Church of Eng-
land has had a hopeful start.

Burglars who broke into the
Tooting Junction Station of the
Southern Railway and dug out
a safe weighing 500 lb. from its
concrete casing could not open
it, and left it some distance from
the station.

The Home Secretary in the
House of Commons intimated
that Russians desiring to come
to Britain for the purpose of
bona-fide trade are to have the
same facilities as any other for-
eign nationals.

In a message sent on the occa-
sion of the annual banquet of
the Royal Institute of Public
Health, at Ghent, the King said
the question of public health
was very near to the hearts of
the Queen and himself.

While hundreds of Sunday
school children were picnicking
at Murtle, Deeside, about six
miles from Aberdeen, what is
described by eye-witnesses as a
fireball caused a panic, and one
girl was temporarily blinded.

Delegates from America to
the annual Convention of Rotary
International, numbering, with
their wives, 3,000 arrived at
Ostend having been transported
by six liners. They will there
meet 3,000 more Rotarians from
Great Britain, and a thousand
others who have travelled from
the ends of the earth.

Mr. Harry H. Rogers, presi-
dent of Rotary International,
in an interview, expresses con-
fidence that the first Rotary In-
ternational Convention to be
held on the Continent of Europe,
Ostend, will be a notable suc-
cess. The aim of the conven-
tion, he says, is to extend Rotary
to every city large enough to
support a Rotary club through-
out the entire Continent.

Mr. George H. Cox, J.P. (a
former vice-president and chair-
man of the Liverpool Chamber
of Commerce), has been pre-
sented with his portrait in oils
by his co-directors and the senior
officials of the Salt Union, Ltd.,
and its subsidiaries on complet-
ing nearly 30 years' service as
vice-chairman, and subsequently
chairman of the company. A
replica of the portrait is to be
presented by Mr. Cox to the
company.

with a capital of some three mil-
lions sterling employed about ten
thousand men. Considerable ac-
tivity was continued for some years
after the war, but the problem of
foreign competition soon became
acute.

Things became so bad that in
1925 the companies in West Lothian
intimated that it would be nec-
essary to close down 30 per cent.
of plant and reduce wages by 10 per
cent. This announcement was fol-
lowed by a four weeks' strike. Since
then the industry has gradually en-
countered conditions that have gone
from bad to worse, so that it was
no surprise when the Broxburn and
Pumpherston oil companies decided
to close some of their most impor-
tant works and mines.

The only hope of permanent pros-
perity in the district lies in favour-
able conditions being granted by Gov-
ernment. With the amount of shale
produce now being brought into the
country and the amount required
for commerce, Government con-
trol or tariff to any extent would
meet with great opposition.

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Surrey were defeated by
Notts at Trent Bridge by nine
wickets.

Sir Henry Bird was fined £50
by the Stewards of the Hurst
Park race meeting.

Hampshire, left with 375 runs
to win, beat Kent by four
wickets; Lancashire won against
Yorkshire by eight wickets.

The Fascist Directory has
issued a scathing reply to the
attack on the Italian delegation
in Geneva by the Socialist dele-
gates of the Third International.

The voluntary liquidation of
the Northumberland Shipbuild-
ing Company, whose share
capital is £5,900,000, is an-
nounced in the "London
Gazette."

Delegates to the Convention of
Rotary International heard prac-
tical suggestions for the exten-
sion of Rotary in Europe, and
discussed in sectional meetings
business methods and the classi-
fication of club members.

£50,000 bequeathed by the late
Sir Robert Houston to his old
employees was paid out in the
offices of R. P. Houston and Co.,
in London, Liverpool, New York,
Buenos Aires, and Cape Town,
and the offices of the British and
American Steam Navigation
Company.

In connection with the annual
congress of the Royal Institute
of Public Health, the degree of
Docteur Honoris Causa was con-
ferred by the University of
Ghent on the president of the
Institute, Viscount Burnham;
Sir William Smith, senior vice-
president and principal; and Sir
Berkeley Moynihan, the eminent
surgeon.

It is announced, from Buchar-
est, that General Averescu, the
Roumanian Premier, has re-
signed, and King Ferdinand has
charged Prince Barbu Stirbey,
brother-in-law of M. Bratianu to
form a "Government of National
Concentration." The change in
Government, it is said, decreases
the chances of the return of the
ex-Crown Prince Carol.

King Albert, himself a Rotar-
ian, was received with enthu-
siasm on arriving to open the
eighteenth annual convention of
Rotary International at Ostend.
In welcoming the delegates his
Majesty said he was convinced
of the increasing influence of
their remarkable organisation.
Rotarian principles made good
servants of the State and de-
veloped amongst members of
a nation and of society true
friendship—that great need of
the world. "The great Rotarian
ideal, essentially a humanitarian
ideal of brotherhood, may have
an efficient application in the
broad sphere of international re-
lationship," added the King.

WORLD THEATRE.**"EAST LYNNE" TO-DAY TO
SATURDAY.**

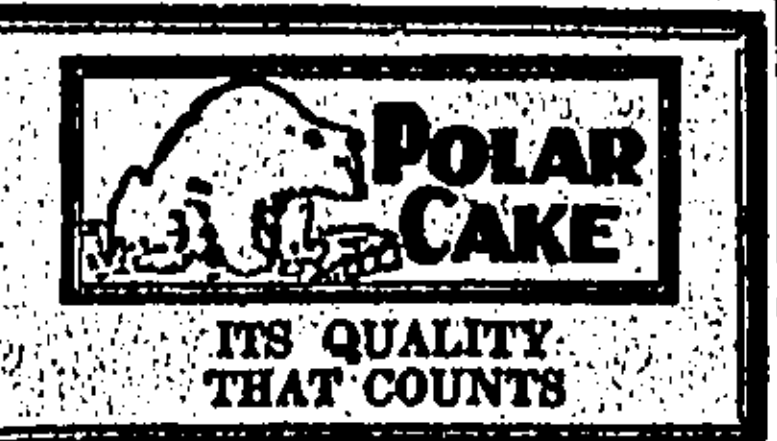
Frank Keenan, one of the
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roles in "East Lynne" is a signal
criticism of the elaborate mea-
sures taken by the producer to
make the celebrated play one of
the season's outstanding pictures.
Alma Rubens and Edmund
Lowe portray the two leading
parts, with Lou Tellegen, Mar-
jorie Daw, Leslie Fenton, Belle
Bennett, Paul Panzer, Martha
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"Go To Bed Late And Get Up Late."

SCHOOL MASTER'S ADVICE.

The Rev. W. T. Featherstone, M.A. (Oxon) headmaster of the Diocesan Boys' School, Hong Kong, in the course of a letter to parents and guardians accompanying a useful pamphlet giving information regarding the school says:—

"When we moved to our temporary premises some parents, guardians and boys were somewhat disappointed. Since we have been at the temporary premises we have obtained land for games and two hard tennis courts. The classrooms, dormitories etc. are so arranged that there is ample accommodation. The boys, boarders and day boys, have settled in well.

"Excellent work has been done this term. All the boys in classes one to four do practical science, physics and chemistry, at the school laboratory. Special attention is being given to the teaching of Chinese. Next term all non-Chinese boys will pay more attention to reading and writing in Chinese, in addition to conversation. In games we would like to see more boys taking an active part.

"We hope that all who have any interest in the School will make it generally known that the temporary premises have been adapted for the purposes of a School."

The next term will begin on Monday, September 12 at 9 a.m. All new boys should attend on Saturday September 10 at 9 a.m. Parents and guardians are asked to co-operate with the School authorities in a strict administration of discipline amongst Day Boys and Boarders. Regular attention should be paid to home work, English and Chinese; care should be taken of all clothes, etc., and of general appearance; and all boys should take part in games. During term time no boys should keep late hours or visit too many entertainments, etc. All boys should be encouraged to take a keen interest in school games and their physical welfare should be considered in every way. When necessary parents should see that their boys visit a hospital or consult a doctor, an oculist or a dentist; in some cases the Headmaster may be able to assist and to give advice.

Answers to Parents.

The following notes are an attempt to answer questions which are often put to a Headmaster by Parents and Guardians of boys at school.

Discipline.—Parents can help very much in this matter. In the case of boys who are unruly at home the Headmaster should be informed. Many boys are bad in discipline and self-control because they go to bed late and get up late; this is a great fault among school boys in Hong Kong.

Attendance.—Parents should see that their boys attend regularly and do not send letters to the Headmaster with insufficient reasons for absence, e.g.: (1) "Important Affairs" (2) "The rain came" (3) "His friends came from..." If a parent has any doubt about his boy attending school regularly and suspects that the boy plays truant, information can be obtained by telephoning the clerk. All letters about a boy's absence should bear the full name and address of the parent or guardian.

Home Work.—This is often badly done. All home work should be well done, good writing and figures. All boys should do some Chinese home work every evening or early in the morning. All classes have home work. Young boys should not be expected to do too much home work.

Holidays.—In the holidays a boy's time should be planned out for him.

In the long holidays, e.g., the Summer Holidays, it is a good thing for a boy to have three weeks without school book work. During the rest of the holidays a boy can quite easily do one to

'QUAKE HAVOC.

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Jerusalem, July 14.
The death toll continues to mount. Fifteen additional deaths are reported from Ludd. The official figures for Trans-Jordan are nine killed and 35 seriously injured at Amman, 35 killed and 34 injured at Essalt, 20 killed and 32 injured in the rest of Trans-

SHIPPING STRIKE.

China Navigation Officers Still Out.

There is no change in the situation in respect of the deadlock between the China Navigation Company and their officers. The s.s. "Shantung," the vessel which, manned by a scratch crew, arrived from Shanghai yesterday, left for Canton this morning.

Jordan. The damage is estimated at £250,000.—Reuter.

A City of Dead.

Jerusalem, July 13.
Save for occasional cowed figures salvaging bedding on the backs of camels and donkeys the usually animated streets of Nablus are transformed into a city of the dead, as after a heavy bombardment, scarcely a house has escaped.

The inhabitants are congregated in pathetic groups in open camps outside the city whose high-frosted buildings, piled fantastically above the narrow streets collapsed like packs of cards, burying their inmates and marketers below.

Many bodies remain entombed despite the incessant exhumation operations directed by British police and attended by pathetic and awful scenes.

A considerable amount of dynamiting will be necessary before all the bodies are recovered.

It is officially estimated that at present over 150 were killed in Palestine and 100 in Trans-Jordan. Over 500 were injured.—Reuter.

two hours work a day; senior boys can do more than two hours.

Boys in Classes 1 and 2 should revise all elementary work and notes, e.g., in Mathematics. It is easy and refreshing to begin at the beginning of a book and work through all the examples, stage by stage. The learning of repetition is good mind training, and transcription, i.e., the copying out of passages from good English books and from newspaper articles improves the style in English, increases a boy's vocabulary and gives freedom in speaking and writing English. To be really effective, repetition and transcription should be done regularly.

Boys in the Middle Classes and in the Lower Classes should pay particular attention to spelling, dictation, repetition, arithmetic, transcription, reading and meanings of words.

The early morning, the early afternoon and in the evenings from six to eight are the times when boys are most mischievous; these are the times when work or play should be arranged. Clothing.—The simpler the better.

(a) Khaki or white shorts.
(b) Khaki or white shirts, all shirts to have collar attached and to be plain. No coloured or striped shirts.

(c) White, grey or fawn cotton jackets.
(d) In winter—Flannel suits, dark or light grey, are much better than serge suits.

(e) Hats—topes, straw hat and school cap. Slouch hats are forbidden.

(f) Boots—shoes are much better than boots unless a boy has weak ankles.

Football boots and gym shoes should not be worn in School.

(g) School Blazers, Caps, Ties and Stockings.

SMALLER NAVIES.

Problems Before Geneva Conference.

SUCCESS IN THE BALANCE.

London, July 13.
That some sticks have still to be jumped before naval agreement can be reached is indicated by to-day's Geneva messages.

The Japanese delegate, Mr. Saburi, interviewed by Reuter regarding the Tokyo report indicating a possibility of Japan's withdrawing from the conference rather than agreeing to a proposal entailing an increase in armaments, said that the Japanese went to Geneva to obtain limitation of armaments and were unable to agree to a treaty involving an increase in naval construction. "We, however, will not interfere if the British and Americans reach an agreement."

Mr. Hugh Gibson, United States delegate, interviewed, said that the American figure for large cruisers in the hypothetical agreement depended on a British and Japanese understanding.—Reuter.

Opinion in America.

Washington, July 13.
Indications are forthcoming that Mr. Frank B. Kellogg, Secretary of State, does not share with President Coolidge optimism over the outcome of the Geneva naval conference.

Although he is reluctant to admit the possibility of the conference failing, he does not disguise his fears that it may prove a herculean task to reconcile the high British and the low Japanese figures in a manner acceptable to America.

Nevertheless a strong feeling prevails in unofficial well-informed circles that rather than the Coolidge conference should collapse, the State Department is prepared to compromise finally on the basis of the British counter-proposals.—Reuter's American Service.

"Utmost Goodwill."

Rugby, July 13.
The Heads of the delegations at the Geneva naval limitation conference to-day considered proposals for dealing with the big cruiser problem.

The utmost goodwill is said to prevail among the delegates, and although an official statement has not yet been made, it is reported that good progress with problem was made at the morning session.—British Wireless Service.

Japan's Attitude.

Tokyo, July 13.
It is learned on good authority that the Japanese delegates to the Naval Disarmament Conference are determined to withdraw rather than agree to any proposal entailing an increase in armaments, though, if they do so, they will remain as observers the same as the French and Italian delegates.—Reuter.

"TIGER'S" ILLNESS.

DOCTOR REPORTS DISTINCT IMPROVEMENT.

Paris, July 13.
M. Clemenceau has improved and the doctor has authorised the resumption of normal diet.—Reuter.

FRENCH ELECTORAL REFORM.

Paris, July 12.
M. Clemenceau who recently has been ailing, relapsed yesterday. His family were summoned to his bedside. Subsequently there was slight improvement in his condition but his son remained by his bedside all night long.—Reuter.

TROOPS ON THE RHINE.

Rugby, July 13.
The War Minister, answering a question regarding the present numbers of Allied troops on the Rhine, said that they comprised 7,800 British, 58,500 French and 6,200 Belgian.—British Wireless Service.

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